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## TERRIBLE BANDIT ATROCITIES.

### LIYANG PLUNDERED & SET ON FIRE.

### GHASTLY CRIME WITHIN 70 MILES OF NANKING.

### GARRISON WIPED OUT.

Shanghai, Oct. 23.

An appalling story of a terrible bandit outrage occurring in the heart of territory coming practically under the direct control of the Nanking Government, comes to hand this evening.

Only scanty details are available, but it appears that a gang of armed bandits, numbering over a thousand, attacked the city of Liyanghsien on Sunday evening, taking the soldiers and police of the district completely by surprise, and committing terrible atrocities.

Liyang is an important rice-distributing centre in the south of Kiangsu, and is about seventy miles to the south-east of Nanking and only forty miles from the famous pleasure resort, Changchow. It is sixty miles west of Wusih, which is on the railway mid-way between Shanghai and Nanking.

**Raid During Night.**

The bandits carried out their raid after dark, according to reports received, and after breaking the city gaol and releasing the prisoners, they entered upon a campaign of looting and murder, pillaging the shops and houses after which they set fire to all the principal buildings. A disastrous fire spread rapidly and raged for several hours, and the city is to all intents and purposes sacked.

**Garrison Overwhelmed.**

A number of police and soldiers stationed in the city put up a strong resistance to the raiders, but were hopelessly outnumbered, and it is reported that they were wiped out by the bandit horde.—*Reuter.*

The *Nam Chung Pao* has received a message from Nanking this morning, confirming in detail the report of the sacking of Liyang. Prior to their attack on the city, they had raided a smaller town to the south of Liyang, slaughtering many of the inhabitants and setting fire to the houses.

**City Burned to Ground.**

In the early hours of Monday morning, according to this Chinese report, the bandits, a thousand strong, armed with big swords and revolvers reached Liyang and plundered the city, after wiping out the police and soldiers. The place was burnt to the ground.

Large numbers of refugees from the desolated city are now pouring into Wusih with stories of ghastly atrocities committed by the gang.

It is reported that General Chieng Tu-chun has despatched a large contingent of troops to Liyang to round up the raiders.

**Feng's Activities.**

Nanking, Oct. 23.

Some apprehension is felt in political circles as the result of the actions of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang on assuming his post as Minister for War. It is reported that in the name of the War Office, he has ordered a large contingent of Kuominchun troops to take up permanent stations on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway in Shantung

Marshal Feng has requested the attendance in Nanking of his leading subordinates, including his first lieutenant, General Lu Chung-lin. The latter is reported to be on his way to Nanking now.

**Shantung Control.**

It is feared that Marshal Feng is manoeuvring his troops in order to secure complete military domination, but more moderate thinkers are of the opinion that Feng is too wise to precipitate further conflict in present circumstances, and that the move may be interpreted as consolidation of his position in Shantung. His control of the province was conceded several months ago as a reward for the success of his forces in the Northern Expedition.

## MARSHAL LI RETURNING.

A message received by the *Nam Chung Poa* states that Marshal Li Chai-sum left Shanghai this morning for Hongkong, *en route* to Canton.

## GOOD DEMAND FOR NEW LOAN.

### SUBSCRIPTION LIST OPENS AT HONGKONG BANK.

### SUCCESS IS ASSURED.

The subscription list for the Hongkong Government 6 per cent. Public Works Loan of (1927) opened at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank this morning, and there was an immediate rush on the part of the public to take up the issue of $2,000,000 in Bonds.

Special counters were set aside at the Bank for receiving applications, and a number of intending bondholders were present when the Bank opened for business. From then onwards there was a steady stream, and there were early indications that the Loan would be considerably over-subscribed. Applications came in readily from both individuals and business firms.

The price of issue is 103 per cent., interest being payable on May 1 and November 1, the first coupon for full six months' interest being being payable on May 1 next year. The Bonds will be issued in denominations of $1,000, $5,000 and $10,000, applications this morning being for $1,000 or multiples of that sum and accompanied by a deposit of ten per cent. of the amount applied for.

The list will be closed on or before Saturday, and, in the event of partial allotment, the surplus amount paid as deposit will be appropriated towards the payment of the balance due on allotment.

The issue is the remainder of the $5,000,000 Loan authorised by the Public Works Loan Ordinance of 1927. Of the total, $3,500,000 is for waterworks development, $1,000,000 for aerodrome and harbour development and the remaining half million for other public works.

## STILL HOPING RUSSIA WILL PAY.

### MUNICIPAL BONDHOLDERS FORM A COMMITTEE.

London, Oct. 23.

The newly-formed international committee for the protection of Russian bondholders, which will deal exclusively with the Russian Government's municipal obligations, held its inaugural meeting to-day under the chairmanship of Lord Revelstoke, a director of the Bank of England, who was intimately connected with Russia under the Tsarist regime.

The Associations represented on the committee decided to stand four-square in connexion with any debt settlements with the Russian Government and to provide suitable machinery to open discussions with Russia at a suitable time.—*Reuter.*

## TRAGIC BOMB OUTRAGE AT LAHORE.

### TERRIBLE HAVOC IN CROWD OF HINDUS.

Lahore, Oct 23.

Five persons were killed and twenty-one injured by the explosion of a bomb in the midst of a large crowd of Hindus, who were returning from a celebration of the Hindu feast of Dussera.

The outrage is attributed to Moslem fanatics. Those in the immediate vicinity were blown almost to pieces, while indescribable confusion reigned for some time.—*Reuter.*

## EUROPEAN'S HOME BURGLED.

### THIEF IN BEDROOM WHILE INMATE SLEEPS.

The home of Mr. A. T. Bates, at 29, Jordan Road, was burgled the night before last. A haul of jewellery, valued at $145, was made from the bedroom, the fact being discovered only in the morning when the thief had made good his escape.

A report has been made to the police.

## CANTON-NANKING CLASH.

### THE SWATOW SURTAX DEADLOCK.

### THE DISPUTE NOW ASSUMING NATIONAL IMPORTANCE.

### FEELING RUNS HIGH.

Swatow, Oct. 22.

Affairs between the Swatow merchants and the Administration of the Inland Surtax Bureau have again reached a deadlock, and the indications are that the matter will shortly become not merely of local but of national importance.

The deadlock is apparently the result of conflicting orders from the authorities at Canton and the Ministry of Finance of the Nationalist Government in Nanking.

Matters have been very complicated, but the facts appear to be as follows:—On the 11th instant, in reply to telegrams and letters from the Swatow Chamber of Commerce and the Chinese Chambers at Singapore, Siam and the Federated Malay States, the Nanking Minister of Finance sent a lengthy telegram to the Surtax Bureau here and to the Chamber of Commerce stating that the Surtax Bureau was to be carried on meantime along the lines originally laid down at its foundation, and new regulations were not to be brought into force at present. Merchants were also ordered to start exporting goods again on the 13th.

**Canton's Orders.**

Thus far, everything was clear, but it now appears that about the same time the Canton Government sent orders to the Surtax Bureau granting the introduction of all the new regulations to which the merchants were so vigorously objecting. These orders were not sent to the Chamber of Commerce, and the merchants state that they knew nothing of them.

As may readily be imagined, the result was absolute chaos. The merchants, acting under the impression that the Nanking orders were to be adhered to recommenced to export goods, and at once had a grievance when they found that the Surtax Bureau were absolutely ignoring the Nanking instructions. The tallies sent by the merchants with regard to their shipments of goods were disregarded, and the Surtax Bureau insisted on examining all consignments before the Customs authorities had seen them.

This naturally incensed the merchants, who, as previously reported, held a meeting last Thursday, as a result of which a telegram was sent to Nanking asking that the Government orders might be enforced.

**Nanking Ignored.**

A representative of the Chamber of Commerce was also sent to interview the surtax authorities, and on his asking why the merchants' tallies had been ignored, and why the Bureau was persistently refusing to obey the instructions from Nanking, he was shown a telegram from the Canton Government in direct contradiction to the Nanking message. The merchants claim that this was the first they had heard of such orders, and one of their new grievances against the Bureau is that this telegram was held up for six days, and that they were never informed of its existence until they actually sent to find out why the Bureau officials were not complying with the orders from Nanking.

Wordy battles ensued between the two opposing factions, the merchants declaring that the Nanking orders ought to be obeyed, and the surtax officials insisting on carrying out the Canton instructions. The merchants hold that they have been deliberately deceived by the Surtax Bureau, inasmuch as they were not informed of the orders from Canton, and the Bureau replying that they ought to have known, as it was not their place to instruct the merchants in regard to orders received from headquarters

**Bureau's Threat.**

The Bureau authorities go on to say that consignments of goods have been shipped for foreign ports by the merchants without examination by the Bureau and without paying the tax, addding that if this happens again, the Bureau will request Canton to punish the merchants heavily.

The merchants' obvious reply to this tally was that if the Surtax

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## SHANGHAI LABOUR TROUBLES.

### FRENCH TRAMWAY WORKERS MAKE DEMANDS.

### HIT AT FOREIGNERS.

Shanghai, Oct. 24.

The radical policy of Chinese labour agitators to deal with foreigners piecemeal, alternately embarrassing British, Japanese and French interests, is reflected in an agitation begun in the French Concession here.

Hitherto, the French Concession has been remarkably immune from industrial dislocations, but it has now become the victim of labour agitation on the part of the tramway employees.

This morning, the French Tramways Employees' Union held a demonstration at the West Gate,

## RANSOM FOR MISS TOBIN ARRANGED.

### Payment to Bandits on Friday.

Wuchow, Oct. 24.

The continued efforts to get into touch with the captors of Miss Tobin have at last proved successful and Bishop Holden has wired from Chaoping stating that the amount of the ransom demanded is being sent by the Magistrate of the district on Friday, the 26th.

It is expected that Miss Tobin will be released shortly afterwards.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

where fervid speeches were delivered relative to labour matters.

The speakers made particular reference in their orations to the recent Postal Strike, and the meeting formulated a series of demands.

The meeting also passed a resolution requesting the Foreign Affairs Bureau to lodge a protest at the French Consulate regarding the arrest of members of the Union.

Considerable tension prevails, as it is obvious that agitators are seeking to stir up trouble.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

## SUDDEN DEATH OF NOVELIST.

### AMERICAN WRITER PASSES AWAY.

New York, Oct. 23.

Mr. George Barr McCutcheon, the well-known novelist, died suddenly here whilst lunching with members of the Dutch Treaty Club. *Reuter's American Service.*

## STOP PRESS.

### FOREIGNER FOUND DEAD IN HARBOUR.

### BELIEVED TO BE AN AMERICAN.

An alarming discovery was made this morning at West Point, when the body of a foreigner was recovered from the water.

The finding of the body was immediately reported to the Water Police, who proceeded to the spot and found that the deceased, a young man about 21 years of age, had been but recently drowned, the body showing no signs of decomposition.

It is believed that the body is that of an American visitor, though nothing has been found which will lead to definite identification. He was however, dressed in clothes made in America, which leads the Police to assume that he was an American citizen. He was about 5 ft. 11 in. in height.

There are no marks violence on the body, and the affair at present remains a complete mystery.

Later.

It is possible that the body is that of an Irish American named Lawrence C. O'Sullivan, seaman on the President Jackson, who has been missing since Monday night.

## CHURCH PROBLEMS IN CHINA.

### QUALIFICATIONS OF MISSIONARIES.

### MANY ISSUES DISCUSSED BY CONFERENCE.

### LANGUAGE TRAINING.

Shanghai, Oct. 18.

The sixth annual meeting of the National Christian Council closed here this afternoon.

During the day, a discussion on "Leadership," begun early in the conference, was continued. It stressed again the need for more trained workers to take part in the activities of the Church, and for more adequate training.

A good deal of time was given to the consideration of missionary leadership and the preparation for it. In view of the present situation, it was recommended that the incoming Executive Committee be asked to make a plan for a thorough re-study of the entire question of the training and qualifications of missionaries in China.

**National Language.**

Special mention was made of language study, the general feeling of the Council being that the national language should be studied as well as local dialects. It was suggested that the Council should take a prophetic lead in this, looking forward to the time when the national spoken language will be universally necessary in China.

In this connexion it was pointed out that in this Council meeting there has been much less interpretation than usual from one dialect to another, practically all the delegates speaking one language.

The financial report for 1927-28 was presented by the Treasurer, Mr. H. C. Tsao. In presenting the report, Mr. Tsao called attention to the decrease in funds available from abroad which necessitates a marked increase in the support to be secured in China.

**Sino-Japan Relations.**

Reports of the ten standing committees of the National Christian Council were accepted, together with reports from the China Educational Association, the China Medical Association, the Christian Literature Society and the Daily Vacation Bible Schools Association.

Mention was made in the report on Christianizing International Relations of a number of occasions where it has been possible for Chinese and Japanese Christians to meet together to consider Sino-Japanese relations; also of a letter sent to the Executive Committee of the National Christian Council in Japan relative to the Tsinan incident, one result of which has been the visit to this annual meeting of Mr. Ebizawa, Secretary of the Japan National Christian Council.

**Rural Work.**

In the Jerusalem Conference and at this annual meeting much emphasis has been placed on the development of rural work. In this connexion, the Council voted to join with other national Christian organizations and church bodies in co-operating with the College of Agriculture and Forestry of Nanking University to plan for the reorganization of the Summer Institute of the University, which will more adequately meet the needs of rural pastors, evangelists, teachers and lay leaders, both men and women.

It also expressed its interest in the selection of a rural church in which a correlated programme will be carried out as an experiment, using local leadership assisted by experienced workers. The place selected is near Nanking.

In connexion with the report of the Anti-Narcotic Committee, the Council placed on record its approval of the Government's announced policy of total suppression of the planting and trade in opium and assurance to the Government of the wholehearted support of the Christian organizations co-operating in the Council.

It also assured the National Anti-Opium Association of the continued support of the Christian

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## THE ROYAL TOUR MARRED.

### GENERAL TROTTER COLLAPSES WITH HEART FAILURE.

### THE PRINCE'S VIGIL.

London, Oct. 23.

Brigadier General G. F. Trotter, Groom-in-waiting to the Prince of Wales, who was accompanying the Prince on his tour in East Africa, has had to leave the Prince owing to acute heart trouble.

General Trotter had a sudden attack and collapsed in the riverboat Lungard while the party were crossing Lake Albert.

The Prince wired a message, to be sent the quickest possible way, to Government House at Entebbe and to Kampala for medical supplies.

Fortunately, an Indian telegraphist was working on the telegraph line close by, and the Prince ordered him to tap the wire and get the message through without delay.

The message was delivered successfully, and a relief party was immediately organized at Kampala.

Everything which might be required, including a surgeon, physician and nurses, was packed into cars and rushed off on the 200-mile journey to Butiaba, the nearest point to the Royal party which could be reached by road. The distance was covered in just over six hours, which was a record for the journey.

When the relief party reached the Royal camp, they found the Prince sitting with General Trotter, and the immediate danger point had been passed. The Prince had watched over the patient during the night.

General Trotter was, however, considered too ill to continue the journey and was sent back slowly to Entebbe.—*British Wireless.*

## U.S. AIR SERVICE TO WEST INDIES.

### SCHEME TO BE EXTENDED TO SOUTH AMERICA.

New York, Oct 23.

A through air and railway passenger service between the United States and the West Indies is being inaugurated on January 10th, next, as the first step in a giantic scheme for linking up North, Central and South America.

Trains will run daily from New York to Miami where aeroplanes will be waiting to whisk the passengers to Havana. From Havana, other aeroplanes will take passengers to Santiago de Cuba, Haiti, Santo Domingo and San Juan

It is proposed later to extend the system to Central and South America.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## THE EAST GOING TO PARIS.

### PERSIAN STUDENTS TO BE EDUCATED IN FRANCE.

Paris, Oct. 23.

Persia's anxiety for Westernisation is illustrated by the arrival in Paris to-day of 123 Persian students who will attend lessons at French universities.—*Reuter.*

## THE UNEMPLOYED STATISTICS.

### SLIGHT INCREASE IN LATEST RETURNS.

London, Oct. 23.

The weekly unemployment return again shows a slight increase.

The total of unemployed is 1,321,200, being 1,494 more than a week ago and 249,904 more than a year ago.—*British Wireless.*

On enquiry from the Government Civil Hospital this afternoon, we learn that Mr. A. Hevey who was injured by a fall at the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders early yesterday morning, is making satisfactory progress towards recovery.

## NO SINO-JAPANESE ACCORD YET.

### IN CONFERENCE FOR 8½ HOURS.

### SOME UNDERSTANDING BUT OBSTACLES PERSIST.

### HOPEFUL PROSPECTS.

Nanking, Oct. 23.

It would seem absurd to doubt the sincerity of the parties after to-day's conference between the Japanese Consul-General, Mr. Yada, and Dr. C. T. Wang. They were discussing the new points brought out by yesterday's conversations for over eight and a half hours to-day, and it was generally expected that after such a long sitting some agreement would have been reached.

It is officially announced that some understanding on major points has already resulted, but in view of the great importance of the problems involved, and the many difficulties to be faced, Mr. Wang and Mr. Yada believe another sitting is necessary.

They are, therefore, meeting again to-morrow morning.

**Tsinan Problem.**

It is stated that the Hankow and Nanking Incidents are practically settled, but the Tsinan Affair is presenting greater obstacles though it is probable that a settlement on this issue will also be achieved.

It is thought that as a preliminary an Investigation Committee may be appointed to find out who started the trouble in Tsinan in May.

Regarding the Sino-Japanese Treaties, it is almost certain that the delegates will reach an understanding to-morrow.

**Wang Interviewed.**

Dr. C. T. Wang granted an interview to Reuter's representative in Nanking this evening. He stated that the prospects of an early understanding and settlement of outstanding issues between China and Japan were highly hopeful.

Much, however, would depend on the attitude of the Japanese Government if an agreement were reached between him and Mr. Yada to-morrow. If the Japanese Government acted in accordance with expectations, plenipotentiary delegates would be appointed shortly to enter into official negotiations for the settlement of the outstanding issues.—*Reuter.*

**Suspicious of Premier.**

Dr. Wang is evidently referring to the Chinese suspicion that Baron Tanaka has authorised the informal discussion of the problems by Mr. Yada merely to appease public opinion in Japan until the Coronation ceremonies are completed.

Chinese political circles are of opinion that a big effort will be made in Japan shortly to defeat the Tanaka Government, and it is thought, therefore, that an official plenipotentiary will not be appointed until after the Coronation.

**Shantung Occupation.**

The difficulty regarding the Tsinanfu settlement is said to arise from China's demand for complete evacuation of Japanese troops and for the payment of an indemnity.

It is understood that Mr. Yada, in reply, has clearly indicated the Japanese attitude to be that the complete evacuation cannot be effected until a written guarantee is given by the Nationalist Government that life and property of Japanese nationals in Shantung will be adequately protected. It is stated this morning, though confirmation is not obtainable in reliable sources, that the Japanese are also making a cessation of the boycott a condition of the withdrawal of further troops from Shantung.

**Manchurian Interests.**

Mr. Yada is also reported to have stressed that Japan will protect all interests and privileges already acquired in any part of China, referring to her interests in Manchuria.

It is on these points that the principle obstacles have appeared, but much is hoped from the conversations arranged for this morning.

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## A COUNTRY GIRL.

### VISIT TO HONGKONG TO FIND EMPLOYMENT.

A 15-year-old girl recently arrived from the country, appeared as the principal witness in a case before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday, in which two men were charged with receiving and harbouring her.

The proceedings were instituted on a complaint received from the mother at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, and when the case opened yesterday, Mr. R. A. D. Forrest appeared to prosecute on behalf of the Secretariat. He stated he was disposed to withdraw the charge against one of the men, Chan Wa-po, and would consider the possibility of using him as a witness in the case against the other man.

Chan Wa-po was accordingly discharged, and the case against Cheung Kam-muk, was proceeded with, a second count of taking an unmarried girl out of the possession of her parents being added.

Mr. Lindsell then said that a point argued before, was whether in bringing a girl into the Colony it was still part of the charge of taking her away from her mother's custody and control. It was a point which he would have to consider.

Cheung Yee-mui, the girl in question, stated she lived in the village of Hau San, Heungshan district, with her parents. Her mother had often raised the question of her being usefully employed and supplementing the family's income. She consequently left her home and came to Hongkong on October 5, by way of Shekki. The trip was made without the knowledge of her mother.

While at Shekki, she met Cheung Kam-fuk by chance on the ferry boat, and they came together to Hongkong, she paying for her own fare with the money she got from home. On arrival here she stayed alone for one night in a boarding-house, after which, at the instigation of the defendant, she went to live in Second Street.

A bed-space was rented in a firewood shop, of which a woman was the mistress. It was to this woman that she handed two dollars as rent. The money was paid through Chan Wa-po, who, she understood, was a friend of the defendant.

No Case Made Out.

Questioned by his Worship, witness said the defendant belonged to the same village, and that there was no pre-arrangement for her trip to Hongkong. It was entirely her own idea.

On meeting the defendant on board the Shekki tow-boat, he had asked her about the business which took her to Hongkong, and she had then told him that her mother had advised her to come to the Colony to find employment.

Witness was unable to give a satisfactory reply when asked why she had told a lie to the defendant in connexion with the statement that she made the trip with her mother's knowledge and consent.

His Worship intimated to Mr. Forrest that he did not desire to proceed further with the case. There was no evidence on which to prove the charge that the girl was taken out of the possession of her mother. She had told defendant she was sent here to find work by her mother, and in view of this, he could not be accused of harbouring if he found a place for her to live in.

Mr. Forrest agreed that his case had broken down by the evidence, which, he commented, was different from the statement previously made to him.

Defendant was discharged.

## JAPANESE PLANES.

### SQUADRON LEAVES TIENTSIN FOR TSINAN.

Tientsin, Oct. 23.

The squadron of Japanese planes stationed at Tientsin since May, left this morning for Tsinan. The American squadron accompanied them to the outskirts of the districts.—*Reuter.*

## DISHONEST WOMAN.

### SIX WEEKS FOR THEFT OF NANKING CLOTH.

Sentence of six weeks hard labour was imposed by Major C. Willson yesterday afternoon on a Chinese woman, who was convicted on a charge of receiving one case of Nanking cloth, stolen from the China Navigation Company.

Evidence was given to show that a Chinese junk, of which the defendant was mistress, was engaged to convey a cargo of sundries on October 10, from the Chenan to the China Navigation Company's godown at West Point.

Among other things, two cases of Nanking cloth were loaded on the junk. According to the tally sheets from the steamer two cases left the steamer and according to the No. 1 at the godown two cases were taken in. The evidence showed, however, that when the police raided the woman's junk the following day, they found the contents of one of the cases, hidden under some bedboards on the junk. The packing case was found in another part of the junk.

When the police raided the junk, the defendant at first disclaimed all knowledge of the whereabouts of the cloth, but later showed the detectives where it was hidden.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ, who appeared for the defence, put the woman in the witness box, where she told the Magistrate that in the course of the loading the case involved was broken, and in order to protect the contents, she tucked them away under her bedboards. Arriving at the godown, she forgot all about the cloth, but when it was near the hour of midnight, she recollected the matter and sent a *foki* to tell the godown people of what had taken place. On the foki's arrival at the godown, he found the place closed for the night. Early the next morning the *foki* was again sent to notify the godown, but he arrived too early and the godown was not yet opened. Before the woman could do anything further, the police raided her boat.

The next witness for the defence was the *foki* who supported the mistress' story.

Major Willson in passing sentence remarked that he believed the story of the prosecution.

## MURDER TRIAL.

### CASE AGAIN BEFORE KOWLOON MAGISTRATE.

The hearing of the preliminary trial of a cake-maker on a charge of murdering two Chinese outside No. 111, Woosung Street on September 19, was continued before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy is appearing for the Crown while Mr. Hin-shing Lo (instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall), is defending. Mr. J. M. Remedios holds a watching brief on behalf of the relatives of the deceased persons.

The accountant of a teashop at No. 127, Woosung Street said that sometime after his shop had opened at 4 a.m. on September 19, he saw a man standing outside the door apparently wounded. The man was holding his hands together and making the motions of a person worshipping. He was saying, "Sir, save life," and asked for a Police whistle.

A customer in the shop produced a whistle which was handed to the man, who then left, witness taking no further notice of the incident.

Corroborative evidence was given by the customer, who added that the man's intestines were protruding.

The case was again adjourned.

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## TWO SMALL FIRES.

### BOTH DUE TO SHEER CARELESSNESS.

Two fires occurred last evening within a space of an hour, neither of them proving serious, however, very little damage being caused.

The first outbreak occurred in the third floor of 97, Wing Lok Street, over a shoe-shop. A heap of rubbish which had accumulated on the verandah caught fire from the lighted end of a carelessly-discarded cigarette. The blaze was subdued with water thrown from fire buckets by the Brigade when they arrived at the scene.

An hour after the first call, the Brigade received another to a fire which had broken out in the kitchen of the ground floor of 40, Des Voeux Road West. In this case also, the blaze was started by a light thrown down amongst some shavings. Within a few minutes of the firemen's arrival, the flames were extinguished.

## KOWLOON MURDER.

### IDENTITY OF VICTIM STILL UNKNOWN.

Mystery surrounds the discovery on Sunday morning near the Kowloon Hospital of the dead body of a Chinese male, with short cut hair, dark complexion, and dressed like a labourer or a shop *foki*.

The identity of the man is still unknown, but the police believe that he was attacked on the road, dragged to a field nearby and there done to death.

To add to the mystery, the handle of a chopper has been found on the road near the body, whilst the head of the chopper was found in the dead man's pocket.

There are a number of wounds on the man's head while a piece of tape was tied tightly around his neck.

## BUS V. RICSHA.

### CURIOUS COLLISION ON SALISBURY ROAD.

A motor-bus and two ricshas were involved in an accident which occurred at 3.30 yesterday afternoon in Salisbury Road, Kowloon.

The bus, which is owned by the China Motor Bus Company, was proceeding towards the Star Ferry when it collided with a ricsha which was going in the same direction. Caught by the projection of the back stepboard of the bus, the ricsha had its mudguard almost ripped off, and in turning over to one side, bowled over a second ricsha which was travelling abreast with it.

In the ricshas were two Portuguese passengers, a man and a woman, who received bruises on being thrown to the ground. The coolies were also slightly injured.

The damage done to both ricshas was under $5.

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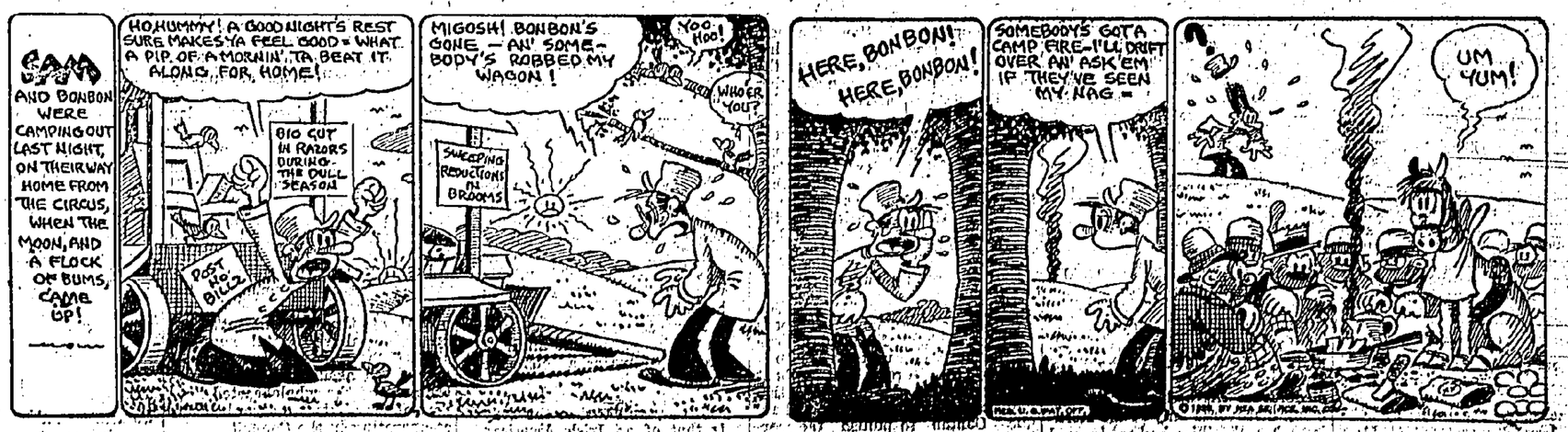
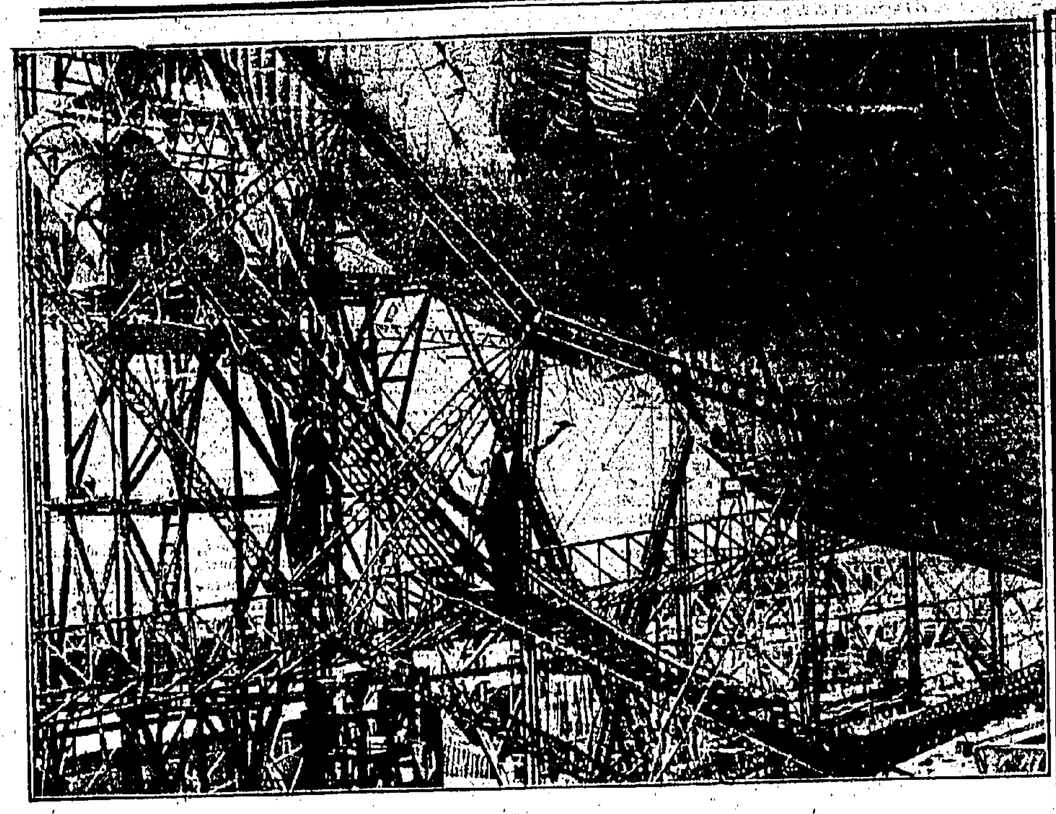




The state airship R.101, which is being built at the Royal Airship Works, Cardington, England, for use on the Empire routes to Egypt and India, is now more than half completed, and it is expected that she will be ready this year. The R.101, is one of the largest airships yet designed, and will have a capacity of 5,000,000 cubic feet. Special devices have been embodied in the construction to meet the most severe conditions in flight during bad weather. Our photograph shows men at work on one of the sections of the ship (*Times* copyright).

An impressive ceremony took place at Nanking when Marshal Chiang Kai-shek was installed as President of the National Government. Top picture shows Marshal Chiang, in uniform, while the lower picture shows spectators.

The above photograph shows Dr. E. F. Duck and Mr. J. L. Wade finalists in the Shanghai Men's Singles Championship which Mr. Wade won.

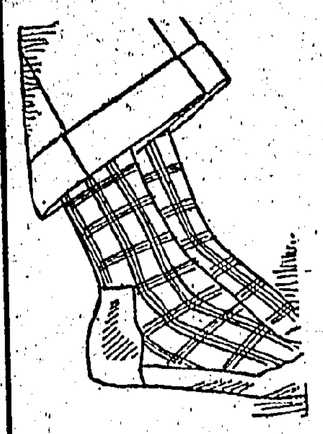
Group taken after the marriage of Miss Emily Grace, daughter of Mrs. Alice Day and the late Leonard John Day of Shanghai and Mr. Arthur Wilfred Taylor Allan.

Above, left, is George Mayne leading the "Cambridge" cricket team into the field in a Shanghai sporting fixture and at the bottom John Road leading the "Oxford" team. On the right, the rival captains tossing. "Oxford" won.

Mr. H. P. Chow and Miss Liu of Shanghai, who were married in Shanghai recently.

Shanghai Boy Scouts gathered together at the Foreign Y. M. C. A. recently for their annual dinner. There were also present parents of some of the Scouts, and members of the Scouts' Association.

Our photograph shows Turkish Deputies receiving instruction in the use of Latin characters in a room of the Dolma Bagtche Palace, the residence of the Ghazi Pasha in Constantinople. (*Times* copyright).

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# New Advertisements.

### MACAO CHARITY AND COMMERCIAL FAIR.

The Executive Committee cordially requests the pleasure of the presence of the general public at the Inaugural Ceremony of the Fair on Saturday, 3rd November, 1928, at 9 p.m.

COL. DUARTE VEIGA,
Chairman.

### CLUB DE RECREIO.

First Athletic Meeting
to be held at King's Park, on the 11th November, 1928.

Relay Race (Team of four, two 220 and two 440 yards), open to all Clubs, Hongs or Units.

Entrance Fee $2.00 per team. Entries close on the 1st November, 1928.

F. A. XAVIER,
Hon. Secretary.

### THE DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL, HONGKONG.

NOTICE.

The Fourth Payment of School Fees (1928-9) is due on Thursday, November 1st.

Annual Examinations will be held in November and Promotions made the last week in November.

November is a good time for New Boys to join the School.

The New Year's Work begins on Monday, December 3rd. The new Syllabus will be issued in November. French will be added as a Class Subject in the Senior Classes. Chinese is compulsory for all boys.

The Chinese New Year Holidays will be from about Wednesday, February 1st, to about Monday, February 27th, 1929.

W. T. FEATHERSTONE,
Headmaster.

### THE ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

NOTICE
is hereby given that
THE TWENTY FOURTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS
will be held at the Club House, North Point
on
Wednesday, the 31st day of October, 1928, at 5.45 p.m.

BUSINESS.

(1) To receive the Reports and Accounts for the period ended 31st August, 1928.

(2) To elect Officers for the ensuing year and other General Business.

By Order of the General Committee.

R. J. VERNALL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 22nd October, 1928.

### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

The Half Yearly General Meeting of Members will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hongkong Club Annex, on Friday, 26th October, 1928, at 5.15 p.m.

By Order
H. R. FORSYTH,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 12th October, 1928.

### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Seventh Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 10th November, 1928, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at twelve o'clock noon on Wednesday, 31st October, 1928.


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## G. R.

Particulars and Conditions of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 29th day of October, 1928, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshuipo, in the Colony of Hongkong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less than three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

| No. of Sale. | Registry No. | Locality. | Boundary Measurements. N. | S. | E. | W. | Contents in square feet. | Annual Rental. | Upset Price. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | feet | feet | feet | feet | | | |
| 1 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1172. | At Cheung Sha Wan Road, Shamshuipo. | As per sale plan. | | | | 2,160 | $14 | $1,240 |

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| | | | feet | feet | feet | feet | | | |
| 2 | Kowloon Inland Lot No. 219. Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1356, Pak Tai street Ma Tau Kok. | | As per sale plan. | | | | About 4,366 | $34 | $3,963 |

# MACAO RACES.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the GYMKHANA
RACE MEETING
to be held on
SUNDAY, 4th November, 1928,
(Weather Permitting) may be obtained from the I.R.R.C. Macao, Causeway Bay Stables and Rozor Advertising Co.
Entries CLOSE at Macao 2.30 p.m. WEDNESDAY, 24th October, 1928.

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## AMOK VICTIMS DEAD.

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*(Our Own Correspondent).*

Shanghai, Oct. 23.

Three of the victims of the Chinese fireman who ran amok yesterday on board the steamer Inderoo, are dead. He stabbed four men, two of whom were seriously injured, before he could be reduced to submission.

## CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

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L. LESDOS,
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Hongkong, 23rd October, 1928.

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# POST OFFICE NOTICE

### INWARD MAILS.

| From | Per | Due |
|---|---|---|
| Shanghai and Swatow | Sunning | October 24. |
| Amoy and Swatow | Van Heutsz | October 24. |
| Europe via Suez (letters and papers, London, 27th Sept., and parcels, 20th Sept.) | Khyber | October 25. |
| Shanghai and Amoy | Yingchow | October 25. |
| Japan and Shanghai | Khiva | October 26. |
| U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai | Pres. Taft | October 26. |
| Straits | Kumsang | October 26. |
| Straits | Kamo Maru | October 29. |
| Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai | Empress of Asia | October 29. |
| U. S.A., Honolulu, Japan and S'hai | Pres. Adams | November 3. |
| U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and S'hai | Pres. McKinley | November 5. |
| Australia and Manila | Taiping | November 6. |
| Australia and Manila | Tanda | November 6. |

### OUTWARD MAILS.

| For | Per | Date and Time. |
|---|---|---|
| Tourane | Chung Kong | Wed., Oct. 24, 4.30 p.m. |
| Sam Shui and Wuchow | Tai Hing | Wed., Oct. 24, 4.30 p.m. |
| Hoihow | Halvard | Wed., Oct. 24, 5 p.m. |
| Hoihow and Haiphong | Menado Maru | Thurs., Oct. 25, 8.30 a.m. |
| Straits | Van Heutsz | Thurs., Oct. 25, 10.30 a.m. |
| Swatow | Hydrangea | Thurs., Oct. 25, 2.30 p.m. |
| Straits and Calcutta | Seattle Maru | Thurs., Oct. 25, 2.30 p.m. |
| Saigon | Shun Chih | Thurs., Oct. 25, 3.30 p.m. |
| Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia | Khyber | Fri., Oct. 26, 10.30 a.m. |
| Swatow, Amoy and Foochow | Haining | Fri., Oct. 26, 2 p.m. |
| Amoy and Japan | Kumsang | Fri., Oct. 26, 5 p.m. |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles | Khiva | Sat., Oct. 27, K. P. O. Parcels 26th, 4.30 p.m. Registration 27th, 9 a.m. Letters 27th, 10 a.m. G. P. O. Parcels 26th, 5 p.m. Registration 27th, 9.45 a.m. Letters 27th, 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 24th Nov.) |
| Manila | Pres. Taft | Sat., Oct. 27, 4.30 p.m. |
| Macao | Taishan | Sun., Oct. 28, 8.15 a.m. |
| Swatow, Amoy and Formosa | Kishu Maru | Sun., Oct. 28, 9 a.m. |
| Bangkok via Swatow | Kweiyang | Sun., Oct. 28, 9 a.m. |
| Shanghai | Yingchow | Sun., Oct. 28, 9 a.m. |
| Hoihow and Bangkok | Chinhua | Sun., Oct. 28, 9 a.m. |
| Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America, and *Europe via Victoria, B.C. | Pres. Jackson | Tues., Oct. 29, Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Due Victoria, B.C., 19th Nov.) |
| Shanghai and Europe via Siberia | Pres. Jackson | Tues., Oct. 29, Letters 6 p.m. |
| Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong | Tean | Tues., Oct. 30, 8.30 a.m. |
| Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, Central, & South America via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia | Tenyo Maru | Tues., Oct. 30. Reg 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due San Francisco 23rd Nov.) |
| *Shanghai and *Japan | Kamo Maru | Tues., Oct. 30, 10.30 a.m. |
| Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow | Haiyang | Tues., Oct. 30, 1 p.m. |
| Amoy | Suiyang | Tues., Oct. 30, 2.30 p.m. |
| Manila | Empress of Asia | Tues., Oct. 30, 3.30 p.m. |

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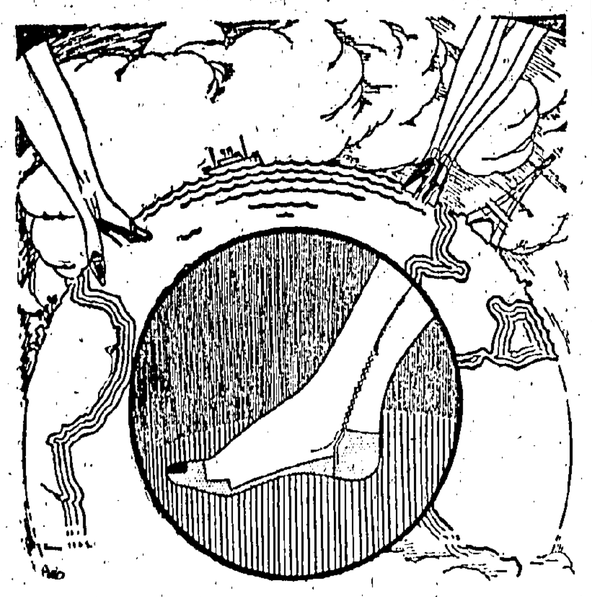

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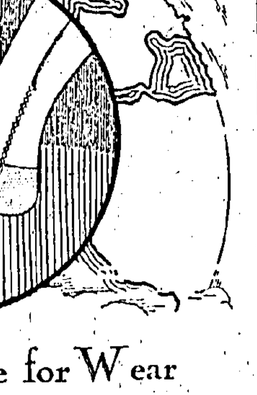

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The first essential for a satisfactory "make-up" is a soft, smooth skin. Whether it is sallow or clear matters very little, but if it is blotchy or coarse with enlarged pores, the powder and cream will sink into those pores and make matters look even worse than they are.

The secret of a soft, smooth skin is cream, more cream and yet more cream, applied every night after thoroughly cleansing the skin.

Having prepared the skin by proper treatment every night you must decide whether the foundation for your powder shall be a vanishing or a cold cream. If the skin is naturally very dry, chose a cold cream; in any other case a really good vanishing will answer best.

Vanishing cream should be applied very sparingly. If it is put on too thickly the face will shine when the atmosphere becomes warm, and the powder will look patchy. Allow the cream to remain on the skin for a couple of minutes before applying powder, and smooth the face over with the tips of the fingers before using the powder-puff.

When cold cream has been chosen for the foundation; it should be left on for a couple of minutes, and then the face wiped over with a soft cloth.

Whether a tinge of colour is applied to the cheeks or not must be left to individual taste, but when it is found to be an improvement it is best to use a cream rouge, and not a powder. The former blends better, and when a waterproof one is chosen the effect is quite natural. Such a rouge should always be applied before powdering, direct on the cream.

A jumper suit for house wear comprises pleated, petal-edged skirt of chestnut brown marocain, and jumper of the same material cut in petals at the sides, finished with beige crepe collar and beige leather belt fastened with a yellow-stone buckle.

A model of demureness is this little dress of Quaker grey crepe. The bodice is trimmed with big grey buttons and ivory crepe collar and cuffs, while the skirt is made on wrap-over lines with a cascade panel lined with the ivory crepe.

## Interesting Notes.

### THE EVERLASTING "CANDLE."

A most economical form of light for a bed-room consists of a white enamelled metal "candle," stuffed with wick. This rests in a gaily-coloured candlestick, and the light is shielded by a quaint hood with a glass window. The oil is poured into what corresponds to the socket of the ordinary candlestick. The amount of paraffin consumed is negligible, while the light is at least equal to that of a candle. The wick can be turned up or down, as in the conventional paraffin lamp.

**Ash-Free Card Tables.**

The modern custom of smoking cigarettes, wherever we may happen to be, or whatever we are doing, makes a combined brush and trump indicator, seen at a London store recently, a welcome adjunct for the card table.

**Stained Glass Plates.**

Fruit plates are now made in stained glass that is reminiscent of a church window, only, instead of the stories of saints, the kindly fruits of the earth are represented. These plates can be obtained with or without the suggestion by thin lines of leaded sections.

**Chameleon Umbrellas.**

The evolution of the umbrella is proceeding apace. Interchangeable covers are the latest invention, and it is possible with the one frame and handle to have an umbrella to match each gown. The transformation takes only twelve seconds to complete, and any number of covers can be used in succession. The Chameleon umbrella would make a novel and useful present, and for including in the holiday trunk, where space is a consideration, it would be particularly advantageous.

**Ring Velvet Wraps.**

Evening wraps for the autumn are being made in ring velvet or lame in preference to the coloured brocades which have held the field for so long. Often a wrap of the velvet in some vivid shade is given a lining of lame in gold or silver, shot with the same colour. Very wide sleeves or deep cape-collars edged with fur are favoured for the more luxurious models and fox fur is the most fashionable trimming at the moment.

## Cut Flowers.

### MAY BE MADE TO LAST A LONG TIME.

To give of their greatest beauty cut flowers must be placed in a suitable vessel. Flowers with short stems, for instance, appear nicer in low vases; those with long stems require more stately receptacles.

Some flowers look best in bunches; others show to most advantage in ones or twos. In any event, flowers should always be bunched loosely so that light and air may reach each bloom.

Careful watch should be kept on mixed flowers placed in a vase, for there are some specimens which poison others. Roses last longer if placed to themselves. Cut violets cannot live for more than a few hours with other flowers. Mimosa quickly poisons any other plants or flowers placed in the same receptacle. These are but a few examples of the many antipathies exercised between certain flowers and plants.

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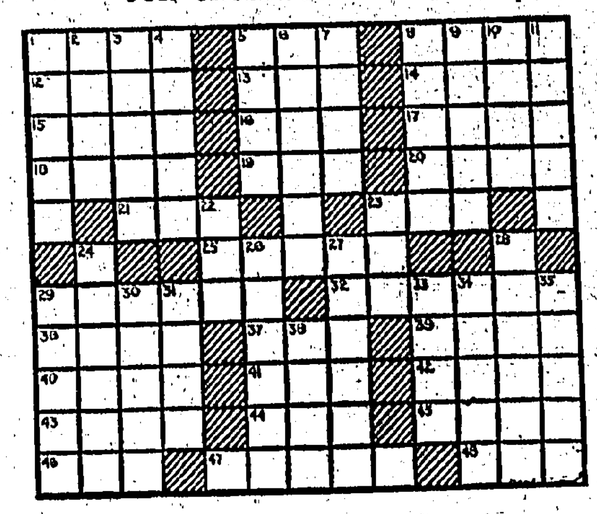
With care cut flowers may be made to last a long time. Early morning is the best time for cutting, and the ends of the stems should be placed clear of the bottom of the vessel in which they are housed. The water must be changed completely at the beginning of each day, and an unobtrusive piece or two of charcoal in the water provides an excellent substitute.

Half-wilted flowers should never be left long with healthy blooms, as they emanate poisons which cause the other flowers to fade very quickly. It is advisable to remove cut flowers from a room in which gas is burning. All blooms are most sensitive to gas fumes.

If choice specimens are required for a date several days ahead they may be preserved by being cut before they are in full bloom and having the ends of their stems sealed in melted wax. They should then be lightly wrapped, each flower sperately, and placed in an air-tight box. When required, the waxed ends may be removed and the blooms treated in the ordinary way.

## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



*Horizontal*

1 A festival.
5 Toothed cutting implement.
8 Polynesian chestnut.
12 Greedy.
13 Devoured.
14 Eons.
15 To disembark.
16 Two thousand pounds.
17 Emulates.
18 Opposite of aweather.
19 To finish.
20 Otherwise.
21 Arid.
23 Beer.
25 Act of aiding.
29 Tribunals.
32 Seasoned.
36 Cry of pity.
37 Quantity.
39 To relieve.
40 Stringed instrument.
41 Wing part of a seed.
42 To slide.
43 Heavenly body.
44 Egg of a louse.
45 Composition for one voice.
46 Snake-like fish.
47 Totalled.
48 Mesh of lace.

*Vertical*

1 Rose-breasted cockatoo.
2 Pertaining to grandparents.
3 Faced as inner part of a coat.
4 The common viper.
5 To satiate.
6 Made reparations.
7 To proceed on one's way.
8 To untwist as knitting.
9 Nimble.
10 Tiny golf mounds.
11 Valuable property.
22 Sweet potato.
23 Constellation.
24 Rolled up.
26 Small body of land.
27 Mental, physical or material condition.
28 To recoil.
29 Dishonest.
30 Amount at which a person is rated with reference to assessment.
31 Employer.
33 Not so much.
34 The claw of a bird of prey.
35 Railway station.
38 Fetid.

*Yesterday's Solution.*

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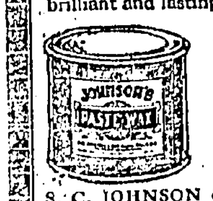

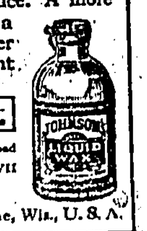

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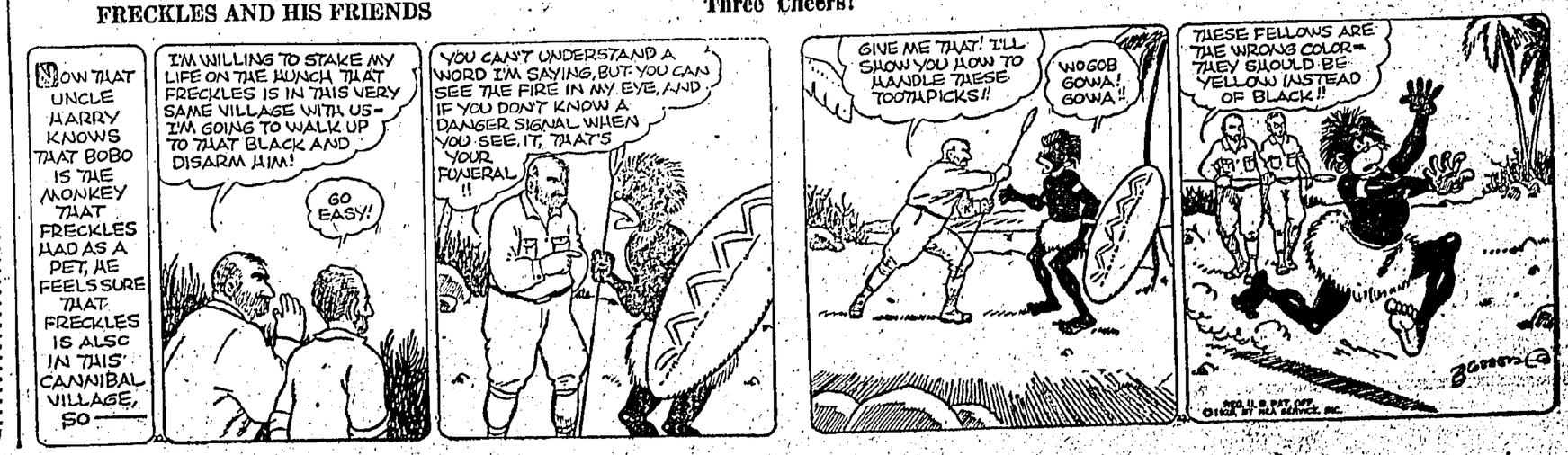

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## THE NAVAL FIASCO.

While all the facts essential to an understanding of the motives actuating the Foreign Office are comprehensively surveyed in the White Paper relating to the Anglo-French naval limitation compromise, they tend to accuse rather than to relieve our diplomatists of blundering. It is a disagreeable admission, but the careful recitation of acute and seemingly irreconcilable divergences of opinion, of lines of approach opened and abandoned, of ruptured negotiations despite earnest intentions, is nothing if not a clear acknowledgement of Britain's realisation that she was treading on delicate ground. This outline of failure in the past, which, together with a *resume* of the conversations between Sir Austen Chamberlain and M. Briand, is presented in order that the world may see misleading suggestions in their true perspective, also discloses a lamentable failure to digest the lessons therein contained. Either that, or, as we refuse to believe, the American suspicion that the accord was an attempted coercion has some foundation. It is probable that no single disarmament endeavour more strongly illustrated the vital points of the American attitude than the ill-fated Geneva Conference of 1927. Yet we find a variation of the British proposals, which were summarily rejected by the American delegation, introduced as a new basis for discussion.

Our Admiralty experts are probably more responsible in this matter than Sir Austen Chamberlain. In spite of the decided setback at Geneva, the British Admiralty adheres stubbornly to the principle of limitation by classes. It is arguable that the attitude is the more reasonable one and that this alone can suit British requirements, but in the present circumstances, this is entirely beside the point. How Sir Austen consented to terms which he must or should have known would be unacceptable, and, what is equally strange, how he came to do so with France, hardly a naval Power, at the sacrifice of an important military principle, is beyond our understanding. We have succeeded only in alarming Germany and in increasing distrust on the other side of the Atlantic. It is made clear that when the Foreign Office opened the negotiations with M. Briand, the Admiralty proposals embraced all types of vessel, the objectionable alterations being made at the dictation of France. The explanation, like the greater part of the White Paper, is unconvincing. Evidence is marshalled to show that the British Government has all along intended to withdraw opposition to the French thesis regarding military-trained reserves. Nevertheless, Sir Austen admittedly adopted the concession as an instrument for obtaining a concession from France. The barter, it is now clear, was absurdly one-sided. It is obvious that our word to France in the matter of conscription is irrevocable, though the naval agreement was doomed to failure from its initiation, and therefore, mischievous in its clumsiness.

We are prepared to accept the view that Britain and France were well-intentioned in their endeavour to come to some preliminary understanding which would help to a more general settlement of the disarmament question. That the intention was void of offence is shown by the undertaking that the compromise would have no effect unless the terms were acceptable to all parties. We also think the charge of secret diplomacy has been disposed of, though it is impossible to compliment the Foreign Office on its "dignified silence" when erroneous impressions were in free circulation. The White Paper has perhaps clarified the position, and we may, therefore, hope that the discord has done no great harm.

### U.S. Presidential Election.

The U. S. Presidential election is now raging fast and furious, for both the Republican and Democratic candidates are stumping the country, making their final appeals to the people. Religion, white supremacy, Prohibition and tariffs are some of the main issues agitating the electorate. There is apparently a widespread breaking down of political fences. Along with Governor Smith's increasing support from former Republicans, there is in the Southern States a marked switch of Democrats to Mr. Hoover, and an analysis of a "straw vote" recently taken shows that the Democractic nominee has 334,931 of these switched votes against 322,555 Democrats who are now for Mr. Hoover. The *Literary Digest* undertook this "straw vote," and with every one of the 48 States contributing its quota to a total of more than two and a half million votes, the returns are shown to be slightly more favourable to Governor Smith than earlier forecasts. The poll shows a total of 1,593,436 votes for Mr. Hoover and 910,234 for Governor Smith. This means that the Republican candidate claims about 63 per cent. of the votes, and as all States have contributed, the *Literary Digest* thinks this may be taken as fairly representative of opinion throughout the country. It would appear from these figures that the Democratic candidate has an actual majority only in the Southern strongholds of Georgia (11,539 to 9,903), Louisiana (13,304 to 9,472), Mississipi (7,761 to 3,224) and South Carolina (7,980 to 2,841). There is evidently a very keen fight going on in Alabama, where the figures given are 13,201 for Mr. Hoover and 11,677 for Governor Smith. The latter's supporters claim that the anti-Democratic revolt has been stemmed, but numerous anti-Smith Democrats have assumed control of the Hoover campaign and are conducting it on a large scale. In Florida there is a three-cornered fight for the State's six electoral votes, with the Democrat stalwarts and the anti-Smith Democrats fighting amongst themselves, and the Republicans keenly opposing both. Viewing the situation as a whole, the Hoover faction would appear to have good grounds for optimism, but the fight is not yet over, and we should do well to be prepared for further surprises as the campaign draws to a close.

With reference to the advertisement of Columbia records of "Ramona," we are requested by the Anderson Music Company, Ltd. to notify our readers that the heavy demand has resulted in the stock being sold out, but that additional records will arrive shortly. This information was received after the page had gone to press.

## DAY BY DAY.

HE WHO CAN AT ALL TIMES SACRIFICE PLEASURE TO DUTY APPROACHES SUBLIMITY.—*Lavater.*

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There was a clean bill of health in the Colony yesterday.

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H.M. the Queen of Spain celebrates her 41st birthday to-day.

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Telegraphist Lieutenant A. Dean has been appointed to H.M.S. Tamar.

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To-day according to the Chinese calendar, is the festival of "Frost's Descent."

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The P. & O. s.s. Khiva, from Shanghai, is due here at 5 a.m. on Friday.

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Paymaster Commander S.S.C. Parsons, O.B.E., has been appointed to H.M.S. Tamar II.

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The Empress of Canada, which left Hongkong on the 3rd inst., arrived at Vancouver on the 20th.

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The Hongkong Electric Company's showroom is to occupy Powell's Building as from Monday next.

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The late s.s. Edmore made her first appearance in port this morning under her new name, Grays Harbor.

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The artistes at a concert to be given at the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A., City Hall, at 7.30 this evening will be Mrs. Hargreaves Brown, Mrs. Womack, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Richards and Mr. W. A. Hannibal.

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An Irishman, named Lawrence C. O'Sullivan, who arrived here as a seaman on the President Jackson, has not returned to his post. He is reported as missing since Monday night, in a report to the police authorities.

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The Concert to be held at the Helena May Institute to-morrow (Thursday) has had to be postponed owing to the illness of Mr. Hargreaves-Browne. Tickets may be returned or used for this Concert at a later date.—Advt.

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This morning's Harbour Office reports gave fewer arrivals, but while tonnage was good, there was a considerable reduction in freights. There were 13 arrivals and 20 departures, of which four and eight respectively were British, leaving 56 vessels in port, British 19.

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After eating a meal consisting for the most part of fish, a Chinese woman living at 119, Keelung Street, and her two young children were yesterday discovered by neighbours lying prostrate from the effects of what appeared to be poisoning. The victims were removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

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After a strenuous day at the oars, a boatwoman went to sleep the night before last. She slept soundly, and the following morning woke up to discover that a bracelet of half-sovereigns had been stolen from her. Two fokis whom she suspected are now detained by the police for examination. The trinket is valued at $40.

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Passengers leaving on the s.s. President Pierce for the North yesterday included Mr. Lee Parkwo, one of the principals of Messrs. H. Y. and H. T. Lee Bros., well-known local merchants, travelling to San Francisco; Mr. Tse Foo-nang, travelling to Honolulu for the purpose of completing his studies in one of the Universities in that city; Mr. C. F. Wolsiffer, a Director of the British American Tobacco Co., travelling to Shanghai and Japan; Mr. H. J. Jessen, connected with Messrs. Jebsen and Co., travelling to Shanghai; Mr. C. B. Shank, one of the principals of the Hongkong Pile Driving and Excavation Co., travelling to Shanghai.

## NO ENGINEER ON LAUNCH.

### CHINESE MASTER FINED AT MARINE COURT.

At the Marine Court this morning, before Commdr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., the adjourned summons against Wong Ka, master of the steam launch Kong On, was heard, he being charged with navigating the harbour without a certificated engineer on board.

The accused pleaded guilty and stated that when backing out from Wanchai Pier, he had only proceeded a short distance when he discovered that the engineer had gone on shore without informing him. It was then that he was boarded by the prosecuting officer. A fine of $20, with the alternative of three weeks' imprisonment, was inflicted.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

### ANTI-PIRACY MEASURES.

[To The Editor of *Hongkong Telegraph.*]

Sir,—In view of the continuance of piracies on the high seas, I should like to make the following suggestions to cope with the evil:

1.—All steamers should have 8-inch steel plates fitted all round the bridge.

2.—Wireless and engine rooms should be fitted with 8-inch steel doors.

3.—The masts which carry the aerials should have barb wire round them to prevent the pirates from climbing up and cutting the aerials.

4.—Ship owners should apply to the local Government for eight Military guards with two Lewis guns and other weapons to protect vessels bound for Chinese ports. These should be well paid for their services by the Companies

5.—All Chinese crews and their sleeping quarters should be thoroughly searched before the hour of sailing.

6.—All Chinese craft, whether big or small should be carefully watched by ship's officers or the military guards so that no arms or other weapons can be smuggled on board at any time before sailing.

7.—Before steamers depart for Hongkong from Chinese ports (or *vice versa*) all Chinese passengers and their luggage should be thoroughly searched. If a ship sailing from a Chinese port has not been thoroughly searched by the local police, it is up to the officers and the military guards to search all the passengers and their luggage when she goes out into midstream.

8.—All Cargo put on board in Hongkong should be thoroughly examined by Revenue Officers before a boat leaves for other ports.

9.—All wireless operators should be instructed to send out a message every four hours to the nearest coastal or ship station to report to their Company that everything is O.K. on board.—Yours, etc.,

H. J. M.

Hongkong, Oct. 24th, 1928.

### NOTICE TO QUIT.

Sir,—I desire to air a grievance which I am sure has the support of approximately forty families residing at the President Apartments, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

There are several families who have already received notice to vacate, and the remainder are awaiting this notice.

The reason for this is said to be that the premises are required for housing military families.

I think it most unfair of the Government to place us in such a predicament at a time when flats at a reasonable rent are so difficult to procure.

Can nothing be done to help us poor "moderate-salaried" people? Yours, etc.,

F. M. G.

Kowloon, Oct. 24th, 1928.

In our report of the annual meeting of the Ladies' Section of the Golf Club, it was inadvertently stated that Mrs. Sheldon was elected to the Committee. The name should have read Mrs. Sherry.

## About Hong Kong.

**Do you know that——**

As far back as 1863, Colours were presented to the Hongkong Volunteers?

This was on February 16th, when the Corps made its first festive public appearance. The Colours were presented by Mrs. Mercer, the wife of the Administrator, and a silver bugle by Mrs. Brine, wife of the Corps Commandant.

By the end of 1864, the strength of the Corps was:—Band, 25; artillery, 84; rifles (including Canton detachment), 91; hon members, 69; a total of 267 The officers at this period were Major Scott (22nd Regiment), Messrs. A. Coxon, H.J. Tripp, H. Cohen, H.J. Holmes, W.J. Henderson, F.I. Hazeland and T.G. Linstead.

The Corps was disbanded on June 1st, 1866, owing to the non-attendance of members, whilst a new Corps was formed 12 years later under the command of Captain Dempster, who was later succeeded by Captain A. Coxon. Dissensions later arose, and Captain Coxon resigned, being succeeded by Captain J.J. Francis, a well-known barrister. Later still, Sir John Carrington, Chief Justice, became Commandant..

## The Very Idea!

At the Westminster Police Court recently a summons at the instance of the R.S.P.C.A. for alleged cruelty to a cat was dismissed after evidence had been given by the defendant, Mrs. Mary A. Millhoff, of 2, Knightsbridge-court, Sloane-street, S.W. Mr. Gordon Jones was counsel for the prosecution and Mr. Peregrine for the defence.

Evidence was given that the owner of the cat was resident at a flat next door to Mrs. Millhoff's, both overlooking Sloane-street, about 18ft. from the ground. It was alleged that the animal, intruding through the casement window of Mrs. Millhoff's apartments, was by her pushed off the sill, with the result that it fell to the ground and was injured.

The defendant said that she was an invalid, and the cat was many times in her flat and a great nuisance. She was frightened of it, and when she tried to remove it apparently it was going to bite. She had been greatly frightened at night. When in bed she had seen a movement at the open window and heard a noise, which she associated with an attempt by a "cat" burglar. (Laughter.) She had pushed the cat many times from her window, knowing that it could alight on a ledge 15in. below and 18in. wide. She had actually seen the cat jump from this ledge to the ground. As a lover of animals the witness had no idea of causing hurt to the cat.

The Magistrate did not think any cruelty was intended, and dismissed the complaint.

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The dancing "Marathon" craze has entered on a new phase. A luggage car, requisitioned as a ballroom passed through Montreal recently with three couples dancing on a 700 miles "Marathon" from Boston to Indianapolis. The dancers were attached to a party from the Massachusetts branch of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, who were on their way to a national convention at Indianapolis.

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The head of the department was firm.

"I can't let you have three week's holiday now," he said.

"Then may I have an advance of salary," asked the worried-looking clerk, "so that I can send my wife away for a holiday? I must have a rest."

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Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
The pictures made you what you are;
But will the public be as keen
When you are heard as well as seen?

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A Southend-on-Sea motor accident witness: After he had hit my car he swerved on to the pavement and knocked down a post and a brick wall. I said to him, "Heavens! What a fool you were to drive like that." He replied, "Don't rub it in. Haven't I suffered enough?"

"Don't you come here again," said the Acton, W., magistrate to a man charged with causing an obstruction with a costermonger's barrow.

The Man: I didn't want to come here this time!

"I mean to have peace, and I am going to fight for it by law," said a Mansfield complainant.

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*A canary is earning £100 a week at a cabaret.*

Sweet, oh! sweet, upon my word,
You must be a clever bird!
Fancy piping through your beak
At a hundred pounds a week,
Pretty dick!

Now, whatever else you do,
To your master pray be true.
Do not moult and go off song;
If you do, he'll feel, ere long,
Pretty dicky!

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An American psychologist has been discussing the physiognomy of the Presidential candidates. He is impressed chiefly with Mr. Hoover's eyes, while Mr. Smith's nose "belongs with the great noses of the great peoples of the world, the Greeks, Romans and Jews." The antithesis of ayes and noes is not uncommon in politics.

## EXCHANGE RATES.

| | London, Oct. 23. |
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| Paris | 124.20 |
| New York | 4.84.31/32 |
| Brussels | 34.89 |
| Geneva | 25.20 |
| Amsterdam | 12.09¾ |
| Milan | 92 |
| Berlin | 20.33 |
| Stockholm | 18.16 |
| Copenhagen | 18.19 |
| Oslo | 18.19 |
| Vienna | 34.49⅝ |
| Prague | 103¾ |
| Helsingfors | 192¼ |
| Madrid | 30.12⅝ |
| Lisbon | 107⅝ |
| Athens | 374¼ |
| Bucharest | 602½ |
| Rio | 5.20/32 |
| Buenos Aires | 47.11/32 |
| Bombay | Holiday |
| Shanghai | 2/7¼ |
| Hongkong | 2/0¼ |
| Yokohama | 1/11.3/16 |
| Silver (spot) | 26.11/16 |
| Silver (forward) | 26.3/16 |

—*British Wireless.*

## DEBTDODGING RUSE ALLEGED.

### SHOEMAKING FIRM SUED SUCCESSFULLY.

### BUSINESS TRANSFER.

The operation of an Ordinance passed in September, 1923, to prevent fraudulent transfers of businesses was discussed in the Summary Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Jacks. The case concerned the changing of a shoe business from the Tung Hing Firm, 176, Wellington Street East, to the Li Cheung Firm, of the same address, and a debt incurred before the business changed hands.

Plaintiffs, the Shing Hing Firm, sued both firms, claiming the sum of $182.10 against the original and alternatively against the newcomer by virtue of the Fraudulent Transfer of Business Ordinance.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ, who was for the plaintiff, said it was a particularly bad case and one which the Ordinance was specially designed to prevent. He commented that after the change over "the same smiling faces were there except those of the people responsible for the debt." He pointed out that the Ordinance, which was in the nature of an experiment, was specially designed to meet cases where fraudulent transfer of businesses took place in order to escape liabilities.

**New Board Put Up.**

Yeung Wai, plaintiffs' managing partner, stated that in March he was requested by Wong Cheun-lau, a partner of the Tung Hin Firm, to do carpentry work at the Tung Hing shop. He presented a bill to Wong Cheung-lau who never disputed the debt. Witness was put off from time to time and had not received the money.

On September 8, he had a conversation with a painter named Ng Sin, in consequence of which he visited the premises of the Tung Hin Firm. He found everything the same and the same people with the exception of the signboard. Over the name of Tung Hing had been nailed a piece of wood bearing the name Li Cheung. When he asked for his money he was told it would be paid at the end of the month.

Two days later he again went to the shop and found new people in possession.

The painter said he painted the name for the new signboard which was fixed up at half past nine at night. He was surprised that the work was done at that time.

**The Goodwill.**

Mr. F. X. D'Almada, who defended, argued that he had no case to answer. Mr. Russ had not proved that the Li Cheung purchased the goodwill of the business. There was no transfer though the Li Cheung bought up the stock. Plaintiff agreed to wait for payment from the former firm, who were on the premises when he paid a visit on September 9. He therefore did not look for payment to the Li Cheung. When he approached the Li Cheung on the 11th, he was told that the debt did not concern them and was advised to apply to the Tung Hing.

Mr. D'Almada did not call any witnesses.

His Lordship held that the Ordinance applied to the case, pointing out that the Li Cheung were carrying on the Tung Hing's business on the same premises and would there have the goodwill.

Judgment was given for the plaintiff firm with costs.

## CRUELTY TO KITTEN.

### A CHINESE ATTEMPT TO STRANGLE IT.

A story was told to Major C. Willson at the Magistracy this morning of how a kitten managed to survive after being subjected to unexampled cruelty by a Chinese.

It was said that in order to get rid of an unwanted kitten, a Chinese living in Stanley Street took it down into the street and literally proceeded to squeeze the life out of it. When seen by a police officer, he was walking briskly up and down the street, the while strangling and violently shaking the poor creature. Eventually, it dropped into the gutter where it lay still, more dead than alive.

Defendant declared that he had handled the kitten gently, and pointed to the animal which was now "mowing" and actively moving about the Court.

His Worship decided that it was a case for a fine, and fixed this at $5 in recording a conviction.

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No further messages have been received from the stranded s.s. Kwangse, but it is understood that the Taikoo salvage tug has arrived and that attempts to refloat the vessel are being made.

## LABOUR LEADER AND IMPERIALIST.

### TRIBUTE TO THE LATE MR. ANDREW FISHER.

London, Oct. 23.

By the death in London of Mr. Andrew Fisher, former Prime Minister of Australia, the British Empire has lost a notable figure.

Mr. Fisher was at both a great Labour leader and a great Imperialist. His phrase during the war, "Australia is in the war to the last man and the last shilling" was indicative of that Imperialism.

Mr. Fisher had a meteoric rise to fame. He was born at Kilmarnock, in Scotland, and began life as a call boy in the local mines. At 23, he emigrated to Queensland. Within eight years, he entered the Queensland Parliament and soon became Minister of Railways. Then he sat in the Commonwealth Parliament, and in 1904 was appointed Minister for Trade and Customs.

From 1907 to 1915 he was leader of the Federal Parliamentary Labour Party. Three times he was Prime Minister of Australia, his last period of office being from 1914 to 1915.

He founded the Commonwealth Bank, was a pioneer in the building of the Trans-Continental Railway that linked Eastern and Western Australia, and also began the building of the Federal capital. It was through Mr. Fisher's efforts that the system of national defence which bore valuable fruits in the war was adopted by Australia.—*British Wireless.*

## SMUGGLING MONEY INTO GAOL.

### CHINESE WOMAN'S PLEA CONFOUNDED.

A Chinese woman, who is related to a prisoner at Victoria Gaol, was charged before Major C. Willson this morning, with contravening prison regulations and attempting to smuggle a dollar note into the Gaol.

She pleaded, in extenuation, that she was ignorant of the local regulations, explaining that she only recently arrived from the country, where it was a regular thing to send money and comforts for prisoners, and where no official ban was placed on the practice.

Questioned by the Bench, she said she believed the dollar would be useful in the goal, in that it would be the means of obtaining some comfort for the prisoner.

Mr. J. W. Franks, Superintendent of the Gaol, said if it was the woman's intention to bring the money for that purpose, a peculiar way had been adopted. The note was screwed tightly in the cape of a thermos flask.

His Worship said that that put the matter in a different light. He found the offence proved, and fined the woman $25. The dollar note was forfeited to the Court.

## FORMER AMERICAN SENATOR DEAD.

### KEEN ANTAGONIST OF THE GOLD STANDARD.

New York, Oct. 23.

The death has occured at Tucson, Arizona, of Mr. Charles Arnette Towne, formerly a member of the U. S. Senate and at one time prominently connected with the oil industry. He was seventy years of age.

A notable orator, the late Mr. Towne was a powerful advocate of bimetallism, and he was one of the leading figures in the heated Republican National Convention of 1896, eventually leaving the Convention in protest against the gold standard plank.

He became National Chairman of the Silver Republican Party in the following year, and twice subsequently he was nominated for the Vice-Presidency, but declined the nominations.

He turned Democrat in 1904, after strong efforts to get the Republicans to change their ideas regarding the gold standard.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## SNATCHED BABY'S BANGLE.

### GAOL AND BIRCH FOR THIEF.

Sentence of six months' hard labour, with 15 strokes of the birch, was imposed on a Chinese by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy, this morning.

The defendant was convicted of a charge of snatching a rattan bangle from a baby which was being carried on the back of its grandmother in Chi Wo Street, Shamshuipo. It was stated in evidence that the defendant, who was arrested after a chase by a Shantung Sergeant, discarded the bangle before being arrested.

## CHINESE LABOUR DEMANDS.

### TO BIND EMPLOYERS IN STRIKES.

### THE KUOMINTANG GIVES AN EVASIVE ANSWER.

### NANKING DISCUSSION.

Nanking, Oct. 19.

A delegation of nine representatives from over 200 labour unions in Shanghai was given a hearing by Messrs. Chiang Kai-shek, Tan Yen-kai, Wu Han-min, Tai Chi-tao and Sun Fo on behalf of the Standing Committee of the Central Executive Committee at the Central Party Headquarters yesterday.

Referring to the recently promulgated rules governing arbitration of disputes between Capital and Labour the delegates said that the Shanghai workers held that, during the period of a strike, the workers involved should be entitled to regular pay; that disciplinary measures should not be applied to the strikers only, but should also be applied to the employers, in case the latter were found equally at fault; that instead of merely imposing cash penalities upon guilty employers, provisions should also be made for their imprisonment in serious cases; and finally, that representatives of the Party should be included in the Arbitration Committee.

**Factory Regulations.**

As regards the proposed Factory Law, the labour representatives emphasized the necessity of according the labour union of any factory proper recognition and stricter regulations governing the dismissal of factory workers. The early promulgation of regulations governing insurance of factory workers by employers was also urged upon the Party leaders.

One general situation of labour, the delegation voiced the hope that there should be an increase of wages for those engaged in low manual labour, that workers should have the right to elect their own representatives and that labour unions should receive a subsidy towards their maintenance expenses.

**Economic Facts.**

Speaking on behalf of the Central authorities, Mr. Tai Chi-tao told the delegation that the problem of livelihood was not a problem of one section only of the people and that labourers were never benefited by temporary advantages which they might succeed in extorting for themselves because the general situation would be affected which would, in turn, affect the workers.

As regards the policy of the Central Executive Committee, said Mr. Tai, it has been clearly defined in the recent Manifesto to the workers and it is to be hoped that the workers will appreciate the Party's views. "Progress in all human affairs is a slow process and what we aim at for the livelihood of the people is the greatest satisfaction to the greatest number of people," concluded Mr. Tai.

**Tools of Communists.**

Prompted by the recent Post Office strike, the Central Executive of the Kuomintang has issued a lengthy manifesto to all labour unions and workers generally."

"During the last two years, when the Kuomintang's energy and attention were entirely devoted to the extermination of all obstacles to National unity," says the translation issued by the 'Kuo Min News Agency, "the Communists utilized the opportunity for workers, not being able to differentiate between real revolutionary and counter-revolutionary activities, have unconsciously become willing tools of the Communists. The workers have become so confused that they are not cogniznnt of the Party's policies as regards labour. Our comrades in the field of industry must therefore, realize that the success of the Revolution is yet far off. They must know that while Militarism within has been exterminated, dangers from abroad are still to be overcome. They must realize their important relation to the country as a whole and recognize their heavy responsibility for the success of the Revolution."

**An Appeal to Antiquity.**

The manifesto then makes an appeal to the past, which reads curiously in the light of the party's progressive doctrines:

"Our workers must realize that the secret of our national preservation and progress is our country's historical and cultural continuity. Our present society is the result of hundreds of years of activity on the part of our forefathers and it is our duty to continue their activity in order that we may bequeath this inheritance from our forebears to our descendants."

**Government Services.**

Perhaps the real "meat" of the manifesto comes in the last paragraphs, that railways, posts and telegraphs are government services and their employees must not "adopt measures in dealing with them as if they were dealing with any individual capitalists." In other words, no strikes.

"Mother, we were in Italy this summer, weren't we?"

## DEPORTED FROM MACAO.

### TWO BANISHEES CHARGED AT KOWLOON.

When two Chinese appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on charges of returning from banishment, they informed his Worship that they had been arrested in Macao for certain offences and had been deported by the authorities of the Portuguese Colony. They arrived in Hongkong by the s.s. Wing On last night.

Both defendants, who had been deported in 1925 for a period of ten years, were arrested in Nathan Road, near Nanking Street, at 5 o'clock this morning.

According to secretary Mottram, neither defendant had made any reference to his alleged deportation from Macao, when they were taken to the Yaumati Police Station.

When asked why they had not told the police that they had been banished from Macao, the defendants replied that, having been arrested by the local authorities, they thought it would be useless to say anything as they thought they would be sent to gaol in any case.

His Worship remanded both defendants for 48 hours for further enquiries to be made.

## FAR EASTERN AIR SERVICE.

### PROPOSED OSAKA-SHANGHAI FLIGHTS.

### A JAPANESE COMPANY.

Shanghai, Oct. 20.

Following arrangements concluded yesterday by Messrs. Doi, Araki & Watanable, agents for the proposed Osaka—Shanghai air line, the first aeroplane is officially announced as starting from Osaka at 2 p.m. on Monday, the 22nd, and after making stops at Tomie and Kiushu will arrive in Shanghai the following day off Black Point at two in the afternoon.

The favourable understanding and permission of the Nationalist Government and the Harbour authorities here have been received, and it is announced that the first trip is in the nature of an experimental flight.

Should the venture prove successful it is understood the Japanese government will greatly assist the Nippon Aerial Navigation Company, Ltd., promoters of the proposed line, in continuing the flights.

The first plane will be the flying passenger boat, Naniwa, equipped with two motors capable of 700 horsepower, and will carry a crew of five in addition to the pilot.

It is proposed that, if the trip is a success, the craft will return to Japan and make three additional Shanghai flights before the end of the month.

## WEARING STOLEN GARMENTS.

### KOWLOON THIEF GETS TWO MONTHS.

While on duty in Hamilton Street at five o'clock yesterday morning, a Chinese detective saw a man emerge from the staircase of No. 20, wearing a long coat, under which he had a knitted vest. He was questioned, but, on failing to give a satisfactory account of the articles, was taken to the Police Station, where he admitted having stolen the garments from the first floor of the house.

On visiting the house, the detective discovered 12 articles of clothing on the staircase where they had been discarded by the defendant.

It transpired that the defendant, by climbing to the top of the wall, had inserted his hand through some lattice work and extracted the garments piece by piece from a rattan basket. After putting on the long coat and the vest, he had probably abandoned the other articles until a better opportunity offered to take them away.

On being charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with larceny, sentence of two months' hard labour was imposed.

## "DOG NO MUZZLE?"

### HOW MAGISTRATE OVERCAME LANGUAGE BAR.

Major Willson dealt in record time, at the Police Court this morning, with several summonses relating to unmuzzled dogs.

After a number of Chinese had been dealt with, the Manager of the Tokyo Hotel was called. He was able to speak English, and, on the charge being read out to him, he pleaded guilty and was fined four dollars.

Next a Japanese woman came before his Worship. She could speak a little English, but not sufficient to understand the charge in its legally-worded form.

On realising this, his Worship put a question thus:—Your dog; no muzzle; all right?

The defendant bowed and whispered "Yes."

His Worship:—Four dollars.

The name of another Japanese woman was then called and the same defendant appeared before his Worship. The police explained that the woman had authority to answer the charge on behalf of her compatriot.

His Worship (to the defendant):—Same thing? Dog no muzzle? Yes?

Defendant:—Yes.

His Worship:— Four dollars.

## BELGIAN ROYAL PAIR TO VISIT EAST.

### LEAVING FOR EAST INDIES IN NOVEMBER.

Rotterdam, Oct. 23.

According to present arrangements, Prince Leopold and Princess Astrid, the Crown Prince and Princess of Belgium, will embark at Marseilles on November 23rd, aboard the s.s. Insulinde, on a visit to the Dutch East Indies.

The Prince is visiting the Dutch colonies for the purpose of study.—*Reuter.*


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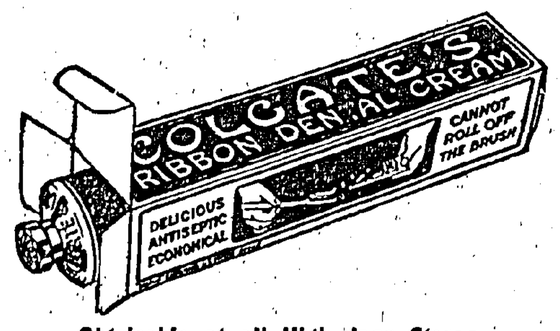


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# THE WORLD of SPORT

## CRICKET NOTES.

[By "Two Legs."]

The clashing of two strong batting sides—Kowloon C. C. and Indian R.C.—opened the Senior Division of the League on Saturday last. With the advantage of playing on home ground, the Peninsula XI won by six wickets, a fairly convincing margin to all appearances, but they just managed it on time. The game was interesting throughout, but I could not help noticing that the play was not up to First Division standard, probably due to insufficient practice on both sides.

Goodwin, the Kowloon skipper, found his deadliest form with the ball at the psychological moment, or else I.R.C. would most assuredly have run up a big score, just as they did a year ago. The visitors had 120 runs for five wickets when Goodwin made short work of the tail-end by capturing five wickets in his last three overs for eight runs!

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Ramsay's fielding evoked a great deal of applause. He was superb at cover-point and it was never safe to sneak a run when the ball went his way, as the visitors will testify. Brace turned out but was palpably still suffering from the effect of his poisoned arm. He was not called upon to bowl and in batting, too, he was unusually subdued.

The partnership between Ramsay and Teddy Fincher for the second wicket was invaluable and when E. F. Fincher came in it was only a matter of beating the clock for a Kowloon victory. Ernie's innings of 64 not out, was not without blemish. I am sure he, himself, would be the first to admit that he had all the luck in the world, so to speak. A difficult chance at the wicket before he had opened his account must have spurred him on to throw caution to the wind. When he got into the twenties, a catch at first slip went begging. However, this is all in the game and Kowloon have a lot to thank him for his enterprising innings.

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Indian R. C. junior followed up their success of a week ago by recording a second victory, this time at the expense of the Police at Sookumpoo. A draw seemed inevitable when J. M. A. Rumjahn was put on to bowl, more or less as an experiment.

Rumjahn's satisfactory analysis of 4 for 17 has earned him the right of being given a turn with the ball in future matches.

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A feature of the seven friendly fixtures was the high scoring on the Navy ground at King's Park in which the second string of the home team overwhelmed the Royal Engineers and Signal Corps. The Sappers were not at full strength, but Midshipman Green's century was, nevertheless, a praiseworthy effort.

The annual Married versus Single fixture at the Club was not as interesting as in former years. Col. Christian proved a decided acquisition for the Benedicts. To bowl 23 overs for a player of his age needs stamina and, moreover, he looked as if he could keep pegging for another hour.

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I hear the Volunteers will be out for the blood of the Indian R. C. when next they meet. Previous appointments prevented the Volunteers from putting up their best side on Sunday, with the result that the Indians had a field day in batting. Congratulations to A. H. Madar who has fulfilled his life-long desire of scoring a century.

An incident which occurred in a match last Saturday was related to me in which an umpire was good-humouredly accused of anticipating the passing of the new l.b.w. rule which has lately been the subject of considerable discussion in England. The batsman in question looked as if he would stay in "for keeps" when, to his astonishment, an appeal for leg-before after he had obviously struck the ball, was upheld. Admittedly, it would very likely have had an important bearing on the score of his side as wickets were falling at a rapid pace but surely, cricket umpires, like everybody else, are not infallible.

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Hongkong C. C. are taking no chances in their Senior Division match with the Indians this week. They will get together their strongest side, knowing from experience, that the Sookumpoo XI are worthy opponents. Many a sterling game have the Indians put up on the Club ground, and smarting from their defeat by Kowloon last week they will be out to give their hosts a close run. With the absence of Pearce, the performance of Ewin behind the sticks will be closely watched.

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Of the three Junior League fixtures on the card, the one which will attract the most interest will be the meeting of University 2nd and H.K.C.C. The former are holders of the championship but are not playing as well as a year ago. However, familiarity with the peculiarities of their own small ground which has a matting wicket, should stand them in good stead.

Indian R.C. second string, with R.E. and S. as opponents, will have another stiff obstacle to surmount. It will be a battle between age and experience against youth. In this case, I rather expect the old-timers to get the better of the argument.

Craigengower, playing in the Junior League for the first time after many years, are keenness personified, and are not a bit dismayed at the fact that they will entertain the strong Police aggregation in their first match. On paper, the visitors look good for the points and after their three successive reverses it is not expected that Alexander and his men will make any mistake this time.

## LOCAL FOOTBALL.

### SUSPENSION OF CHINESE PLAYERS.

Minutes of a meeting of the Emergency Committee of the Hongkong Football Association held on the 11th instant show that Ng Po-kui, who played for South China against Ewo Chinese on the 3rd instant, was ordered off by the referee for striking an opponent, and that he was suspended until November 1st.

**Order Ignored.**

A complaint of the South China Athletic Association having played Wong Mee-shun contrary to an order of suspension of February 14th was dealt with.

Both the player and a representative of the Association were present, and their explanations were accepted, but they were warned that a suspension refers to all games.

**Signed for Two Clubs.**

The Lam Long Wan King Club complained that Chan Hing-chow had played against them for South China in the Mid-Week League, after having signed for the first-named. It was disclosed that the player had signed for both Clubs, and after he had explained the position the case was put back for the attendance of Secretaries of both Clubs and witnesses.

**Charity Game.**

The Secretary reported that he had received a request for the annual game to again be staged for the benefit of the British Legion Poppy Day Fund.

The Committee agreed to ask the Navy and the Army to field a combined team against the Rest of the Colony on Monday, November 12th.

**Council Vacancy.**

The vacancy on the Council by the retirement of Mr. J. McCubbin was discussed, and Committee agreed to invite Mr. J. Lawrence to accept the office.

These minutes will come before the Council, October 30th, for confirmation.

## POLICE INTERPORT FOOTBALL.

### HONGKONG TO SEND TEAM TO SHANGHAI.

We learn to-day that it is proposed that a football team representing the Hongkong Police Force shall journey to Shanghai in February next to play an Interport match with the Shanghai Police.

A practice match in connexion with the above will be played on the ground of the Hongkong Football Club on Sunday next, a Police team (with the addition of Stewart, of the H.K.F.C. and Hooper, of the Queen's Regt.) contesting a friendly with the Chinese Athletic.

The kick-off is timed for 4.30 p.m., and the match should be a very interesting one.

Betting quotations on the Cambrigeshire now include St. Jerome, owned by H.M. the King, at 100 to 8, and Yeomanstown at 25 to 1.

## TENNIS MATCH.

### INTERESTING GAME FIXED AT U.S.R.C.

In connexion with an effort by the U.S.R.C. to foster tennis further in the Colony, Major Lucas, the tennis Secretary, has asked Mr. G. W. Sewell, to take over a team to their Club on Saturday next, the 27th instant. A match has accordingly been arranged and will start at 2.30 p.m.

Mr. Sewell's team is as follows: M. K. and M. W. Lo (Chinese Recreation Club); S. A. Rumjahn (Craigengower Cricket Club) and H. D. Rumjahn (Indian Recreation Club); F. A. Redmond (Hongkong University) and G. W. Sewell (Hongkong Cricket Club).

The brothers Lo were unbeaten in League tennis during the past season and the two Rumjahns are the Doubles Champions of the Colony. Redmond has played Interport tennis and Sewell has been keen on the game for several years.

The U.S.R.C. team will be Dr. Tottenham and Major Lucas; J. S. McEachran and Rev. Alexander; Wing Commander Hunter and Lt. Hale.

Both teams are fairly strong and some good tennis should be seen.

Dr. Tottenham and Major Lucas have played in first-class tennis at Home, whilst McEachran and Rev. Anexander are both up to county standard. Wing Comdr. Hunter was runner-up in the Air Force Championship, and Lt. Hale made a brave showing in the Naval Championship.

Stands will be provided, and the U.S.R.C. extend a hearty invitation to all interested in tennis.

## HOCKEY MATCHES.

### CLUB DE RECREIO TEAMS.

The following will represent the Club de Recreio in a match against the H.K.S.R.A. on the Marina ground to-morrow at 5.15 p.m.:—F. Barros, P. N. da Silva, R. Robarts, A. A. R. Botelho, J. E. Noronha, C. Basto, D. P. Xavier, H. A. Alves, R. C. Reed, C. D'Almada e Castro and D. F. Lopes.

The Recrio 2nd team against the Hockey Club "A" team at King's Park on Friday at 5.15 p.m. will be:—A. P. Eca da Silva, D. C. Alves, A. A. Remedios, A. M. Xavier, F. V. Ribeiro, G. A. Pinna, M. A. V. Soares, H. J. Noronha, C. Roza Pereira, L. F. Xavier and J. M. M. Alves.

## TWO DARK HORSES AT WORK.

### STRIVING FOR LAWN BOWLS FAME.

Even the humble can aspire to great things, and there is nothing like assiduity and constant endeavour to turn an aspiration into a reality. Few men reach the top of the ladder which they intend to climb, but those who climb stout-heartedly usually reach a higher rung than the less courageous. Thus we find two keen lawn bowlers, practising nightly at one of the Happy Valley clubs, aspiring, as they claim, eventually to become the singles champions of the Colony, or failing that, to a place in the champion League team.

These two men, who by day do much to safeguard the Colony's revenue, started work some weeks ago, and under the guidance of such lawn bowlers as would condescend to give them a friendly tip now and then, have made marvellous progress. They are extremely optimistic, for they hope one day to make their names known to all lawn bowlers in the Colony. They have no use for the old method of proceeding step by step, but after only two weeks of lawn bowls, they are already playing for a cup.

Nightly, the trophy is to be seen displayed in a prominent position on a table at one end of the rink on which they play. The winner takes it home for the night and brings it back again the next evening to be competed for. Despite the presence of stalwarts in lawn bowls circles, these two men go on in undaunted manner and play their 21 heads each evening to the amusement of some of many spectators and the admiration of others.

Apart from the fact that these two players are striving to get themselves accustomed to the atmosphere surrounding a cup match, they are also aiming in other directions to be ready for the Great Day when it arrives. They never play until the rinks are crowded, thus drawing attention to themselves, as they naturally would do if they should play in the championship. They yearn to get their scores in all the local papers, and have in their possession a complete list of the results of their many matches, but have not as yet persuaded any editor to consider publishing them.

Whenever a reporter is about, they recount to him the meaning of their trophy and beg for a line in the papers about it. They say that while they are getting themselves accustomed to championship conditions, they also want to let the public know of their doings. It wouldn't do to become champions without the local papers announcing their names among the list of "possibles" and for that reason they say their doings should be recorded and the public apprised of their prowess in the game.

Good luck to them! From their form, one would be justified in predicting that in about thirty years' time they should qualify for a place in the junior section of one of the smaller clubs, but still there is nothing like trying and if one has the patience, even thirty years is not too long! H. H.

## TAX ON TENNIS.

### DEMANDS OF FEDERATION TO GO TO CHAMBER.

Paris, Oct. 23.

M. Henry Pate, the vice-president of the Chamber and president of the Parliamentary sports group, has declared that he will bring the demands of the Lawn Tennis Federation before the Chamber.—*Reuter.*

[The demands here mentioned are that the Government abandon its intention to tax receipts from tennis tournaments.]

## LEAGUE CRICKET.

### VARSITY SECONDS TO MEET THE ELECTRIC.

The following have been selected to represent the 'Varsity 2nd XI in a league match against the Hongkong Electric Cricket Club on Saturday, at 2 p.m. sharp at Pokfulum: F. Hiptoola (Capt.), M. B. Osman, A. Baker, H. T. Barma, A. Chan Fook, F. S. Chen, A. B. Suleman, N. P. Karanjia, G. E. Yeoh, A. A. Aziz, H. E. Adams.

## LEAGUE CRICKET.

The following have been selected to represent the I.R.C. 2nd XI against the R.E. and Signals on Saturday on the I.R.C. Ground at 2 p.m. sharp:—Sirdar Khan (Capt.), M. P. Madar, N. B. Kitchell, A. M. Rumjahn, D. Mohamed, A. Britt, A. R. Sufflad, J. M. A. Rumjahn, R. Nazarin, D. M. A. Razack and A. Rahmin. Reserves:—M. R. Abbas and Y. A. Curreem.


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## CHAPTER XVIII.

In her excitement Ada had forgotten Crakenthorp. When she turned to speak to him, he had vanished. Angry as she had been with him before, she was still more angry to find that he had deserted her and left her alone at that hour in the streets of Lympton, with the lonely road between her and home. It was the last straw, and Ada began to cry. Even her very successful *coup* did not console her. She had smashed his ideal of Orange, it was true; but his treatment of herself was scandalous in the extreme.

There was no use waiting for Orange to re-appear. She turned to go home, when a passing taxi cab went by, and in response to her wild entreaty pulled up, and she got in. At least she could get back without the terror of going along a lonely road at night. Sitting in the taxi she gave way to her overcharged feelings. She hardly remembered it was she who had brought Staveling to Lympton, and only felt wretched and affronted. Orange was thoroughly bad; Ada had always believed this to be the fact, and Walter, poor, deluded Walter, what a dreadful awakening remained for him. She tried to calm herself as the taxi raced along the road. Mrs. Priestly would be waiting for her, wondering where she was. She must think of something to explain matters in the face of her mother's penetrating gaze. She lost all coherence when she thought of it, and did not even tell the taxi driver to stop at the gate, which she had intended to do, so that almost before she knew it, she was deposited in front of the steps of Cedarwood. She had just paid the driver when already Mrs. Priestly was upon her.

Standing at the top of the steps, her mother waited, a massive, imposing figure. Ada came upstairs, stumbling a little in her haste and still breathing hard. She suddenly felt as though she were a disobedient child again, as Mrs. Priestly spoke in an awful voice which sent cold shivers down her spine. "What does this mean, Ada?"

Ada said nothing; but her tossed hair and the bruised look in her face and eyes could not be hidden as her mother scrutinised her in the lamp light.

"Come to my room," Mrs. Priestly said majestically, and sweeping along the corridor and up the staircase, she led the way.

Once they were both inside, Mrs. Priestly sat down and waited for her daughter to speak.

"Mamma—" Ada said, and she began to cry again.

"Stop crying and make yourself comprehensible," Mrs. Priestly said unsympathetically. "I went to look for you when I had finished playing the piano, and you were neither in the garden nor in your own room. I waited for you, Ada, and you returned after a very long absence, alone in a taxi-cab. Now I want your explanation; not these foolish hysterics."

"It's Orange," Ada said, collecting herself with an effort. "I went out into the garden. Hubert Crakenthorp was there. He was waiting for her, Mamma, and he thought I was she, for he kissed me by mistake, in the dark."

Mrs. Priestly raised her eyes to the ceiling and folded her hands, but she said nothing.

"I was furious," Ada flushed hotly. "We had an awful scene together. It was so disgraceful of him, and he admitted that he waits there night after night."

"And Orange meets him there night after night?"

"Well, no," Ada admitted. "She doesn't, but he always hopes she will. He's mad about her, mother, and Walter ought to know. It's wicked. He should be sent away. It's not decent."

Mrs. Priestly sighed and tapped her fingers on the table. "But this does not account for the taxi cab," she said. "You ought to have come straight to me, Ada, and I would have dealt with Mr. Hubert Crakenthorp. Mad or sane, I think I could have met the situation." She smiled very coldly.

Ada took up the broken thread of her story. She described her interview with Crakenthorp and the appearance of Orange on the balcony. How they had watched Orange slip off by the short cut to Lympton and followed her, and finally the climax, when Orange and Staveling had gone together into the Hotel.

Mrs. Priestly got up slowly. "Come, Ada," she said, "late as it is, and agitated as you are, this question must be met and faced out to-night."

Walter Priestly was sitting in his room reading the little sheaf of letters he had received from his wife during the weeks he was away. They were wonderful letters, and the slow, sure growth of her love for him was registered in every page. He had counted so much upon the little shy indications of a change in her, that her manner when they met had wounded him to the quick. Yet, from the first, he had pledged himself to patience. He intended to win her love by perfectly fair means, or not at all, and these letters at least gave him a possibility of hope. He pressed the paper on which she had written to his lips, and cried her name in the silence of his heart. Her beauty, her evident trust in him and her loneliness appealed to him desperately, and she was his, "at least in some way." She had written this to him, and again and again he told himself that he must be patient.

As he sat in a deep chair, smoking and lost in his reverie, he was brought back to actuality by a knock at the door. Looking up he saw his mother and Ada come in, and at once he realised that there was something badly wrong. His feeling that the situation under his roof was rapidly becoming quite impossible intensified, and he decided to tell Orange when they had that wonderful talk together which was to put everything right, that he had bought a house at Surbiton which he proposed to make over to his mother and then he and Orange would have Cedarwood to themselves.

"Walter," Mrs. Priestly said, as she took the chair he pushed forward towards her. "Ada and I have come to see you on terrible business. I am sorry for you, my son, but it is my solemn duty to speak out."

"What is the matter, Ada?" Walter patted her shoulder kindly. "Don't cry, old girl. I'm sure it's not as bad as you think, whatever it is."

"Ada had a shock." Mrs. Priestly held the conversation steadily in her own keeping. "A very great shock. Of that, later. The most important subject first."

He sat down dejectedly. Mrs. Priestly always added to distress of any kind, and he looked at her hopelessly. "Can I do anything?" he asked. He wished they would go away and leave him to his thoughts, those bright enchanting thoughts which filled his heart.

"It is about Orange."

*(To be Continued.)*

## BUILT AT KOWLOON DOCKS.

### NEW BOATS FOR F.M.S. RAILWAYS LEAVE.

The s.s. Elizabeth and the s.s. Violet, built by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company to the order of the Federated Malay States Railways, cleared at 7 o'clock this morning on their maiden trips for Singapore where they will be handed over to their owners.

These craft are steel twin screw steamers of 340 tons gross and 110 tons nett, with length 130 feet, beam 30.1 feet and depth 9.5 feet. They were engined by the builders.

The Elizabeth is commanded by Captain Laing and the Violet by Captain Aiken.

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When Ibsen's prose drama, "The Vikings at Helgeland," was played at the Old Vic., Waterloo road, S. E. recently a false stage was built for the first scene—a rocky coast.

## RAMON NOVARRO.

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Ramon Novarro, the handsome hero of "Ben-Hur," and beautiful Norma Shearer are the leading players in "The Student Prince," a magnificent picture complete with faithful reproductions of the castles of Old Heidelberg and other massive settings, which will be screened at the Queen's Theatre from to-day to Saturday. World famous as a stage play, this wonderfully sweet romance of the Prince and peasant maid has at last been brought to the screen through the genius of the eminent director, Ernst Lubitsch. In addition to the principals, a huge supporting cast has been chosen and includes Jean Hersholt, the character actor; George K. Arthur, noted comedian; Edward Connelly, Lionel Belmore, Otis Harlan and Edythe Chapman, all well known players with many screen successes to their credit. Hundreds of colourful costumes specially designed will be seen on imperial guardsmen, diplomats, nobles of the land and the picturesque villagers.

## CHINA COAST OFFICERS.

### THE LATEST APPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFERS.

Captain T. Johnstone, of the Kaigan, has gone master, Anking.

Captain A. Cook, of the Kwangse, has gone master, Nanning. Captain W. Noon, of the Nanning, has gone master, Kwangse.

Captain W. J. Larter, from reserve, has gone master, Linan. Captain C. M. Mather, of the Linan, is on reserve.

Mr. O. Fox, chief officer, Tungting, has gone chief officer, Wanliu. Mr. J. M. Hall, chief officer, Wanliu, is on Home leave.

Mr. R. J. Powrie, extra chief officer, Linan, has gone chief officer, Tungting. Mr. J. S. Anderson, chief officer, Hanyang, has gone chief officer, Linan. Mr. J. McKinlay, extra chief officer, Sinkiang, has gone chief officer, Hanyang.

Mr. L. Cook, extra second officer, Wanliu, has resigned.

Mr. A. Swanson, extra second officer, Soochow, has gone second officer, Yunnan.

Mr. J. McWilliams, extra second officer, Hsin Peking, has gone second officer, Chungking. Mr. J. Paterson, second officer, Chungking, has gone second officer, Soochow.

Mr. D. V. Duncanson, chief officer, Chinkiang, has gone chief officer, Chinkiang. Mr. W. R. Kermode, extra chief officer, Hsin Peking, has gone chief officer, Chinkiang.

Mr. G. R. Torrible, second officer, Shantung, has gone extra second officer, Hsin Peking.

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Mr. F. E. B. Steer, extra second officer, Yingchow, is on reserve.

Mr. D. D. Richards, chief officer, Yingchow, has gone chief officer, Anking.

Mr. A. I. Campbell, from reserve, has gone second officer, Kweiyang.

Mr. C. C. Evans, extra second officer, Soochow, has gone extra second officer, Kweiyang. Mr. A. Swanson, extra second officer, Kweiyang, has gone second officer, Soochow.

Mr. B. A. Marrable, chief officer, Chekiang, is on reserve.

Mr. H. V. Steer, second officer, Yunnan, has gone extra second officer, Kweiyang.

Mr. J. W. Bennett, second officer, Anking, is on reserve.

Mr. H. S. Patrickson, second officer, Kweiyang, has gone acting chief officer, Yingchow.

Mr. H. R. Stewart, from reserve, has gone extra third engineer officer, Kingyuan.

Mr. R. Barclay, acting chief engineer officer, Anking, has gone chief engineer officer, Kaigan.

Mr. L. St. J. Rail, third engineer officer, Soochow, has resigned. Mr. D. Watson, third engineer officer, Woosung, has gone third engineer officer, Soochow.

Mr. C. W. Bainbridge, from reserve has gone acting second engineer officer, Chungking. Mr. J. A. Duggan, acting second engineer officer, Chungking, is on reserve.

Mr. A. Campbell, chief engineer officer, Taikoo Wan Yi, has gone chief engineer officer, Wanliu. Mr. W. W. M. Chapman, second engineer officer, Taikoo Wan Yi, has gone second engineer, Fengtien. Mr. J. Watson, third engineer officer, Taikoo Wan Yi, has gone third engineer officer, Poyang.

Mr. M. R. Smith, from reserve, has gone third officer, Fooksang. Mr. L. H. Johnson, third officer, Fooksang, is on reserve.

Mr. A. E. F. Smith, from reserve, has gone extra second officer, Tuckwo. —*Shipping and Engineering.*

## LADIES' HARBOUR SWIM.

### MISS KWOK CHOI-MING COMES IN FIRST.

A party of officials and their lady friends had a rather trying experience shortly after the start of the Ladies' Harbour Race yesterday afternoon when the launch in which they had gone to Kowloon went aground and later fouled the cables leading from the Railway Station.

It was not till the swimmers had got well away that the people on board realised that anything untoward had occurred. When the coxswain attempted to follow the competitors, it was found that the launch was on the rocks. Efforts to clear the craft only resulted in the propeller being fouled by the cables.

After Chief Inspector Aris, in a police launch, had tried to tow the officials' launch off the rocks, without result, the party was taken from the stranded launch and conveyed to Hongkong by the police launch.

The tides played an important part in yesterday's race and but for the fact that the current changed at the right moment, Miss Kwok Choi-ming, who was the first to touch the Praya wall between the V. R. C. and Murrey Pier, would have been taken a good distance out of her course.

From the start Miss Kwok was seen swimming in a westerly direction with the other competitors taking an easterly course. The Hunt sisters fell foul of the currents and had a hard task before them. Miss Kwok found herself being greatly assisted by the ebb tide as soon as she was nearing the the Hongkong side and managed to finish just five seconds before Miss George. Miss P. Hunt, who won the race for the past two years, was third home, with Miss Chan Yeuk-fai fourth and Doris Hunt last.

The positions of the five competitors were:

| | Min. | Sec. |
|---|---|---|
| Miss Kwok Choi-ming ... | 35 | 47 2/5 |
| Miss M. George ..... | 35 | 52 3/5 |
| Miss P. Hunt ..... | 37 | 41 |
| Miss Chan Yeuk-fai ..... | 38 | 10 |
| Miss D. Hunt ..... | 40 | 20 |

Previous Winners.

The previous winners of the Ladies' Event have been:

| | Min. | Sec. |
|---|---|---|
| 1920 Miss Ruby Young ... | 37 | 10 1/5 |
| 1921 Miss G. Ramsay .... | 38 | 02 |
| 1922 Miss M. Groundwater | 38 | |
| 1923 Miss M. Groundwater | 34 | 18 3/5 |
| 1924 Miss M. Groundwater | 34 | 31 |
| 1925 Miss V. Owen Hughes | 41 | 02 |
| 1926 Miss P. Hunt ..... | 49 | 24 |
| 1927 Miss P. Hunt ..... | 39 | 47 |

To-day's Event.

The Open event has attracted a large entry and should prove an interesting contest. C. J. Cooke, the veteran who won the cup in 1926 and 1927 is among the competitors. The launch from the V.R.C. will start at 5 p.m. and the race, about 15 minutes later.

## GOLF IN CANTON.

### MIXED FOURSOMES RESULT.

Canton, Oct. 23.

A mixed foursomes competition was played off on the Tunshan Recreation Club's course at Tungshan, Canton, on Sunday and was won by Mr. and Mrs. Batchelor 99 less 10—89.

Other entries were Mrs. Stratton and Mr. Walker (scratch); Mrs. Ricard and Mr. Jenkins (24); Mrs. Jenkins and Mr. Parsons (14); Mrs. Gilman and Mr. McNeary (16); Mrs. Clements and Mr. Spencer (20); Mrs. Knott and Mr. Hunter (24); Mr. and Mrs. Sandestrom (10); Mrs. Kitching and Captain Rutherford (10) Mr. and Mrs. Annett (6).

Full handicaps were deducted from the total score for 18 holes. —*Our Own Correspondent.*

## VALLEY GOLF.

### H. HAMPTON QUALIFIES FOR THE ADAMSON CUP.

H. Hampton with a card of 93—23=70, qualified for the Adamson Cup in the October competition at Happy Valley. Other scores were: E. Moore 86—15=71; J. Stewart 89—15=74; F. E. Booker 87—10=77.

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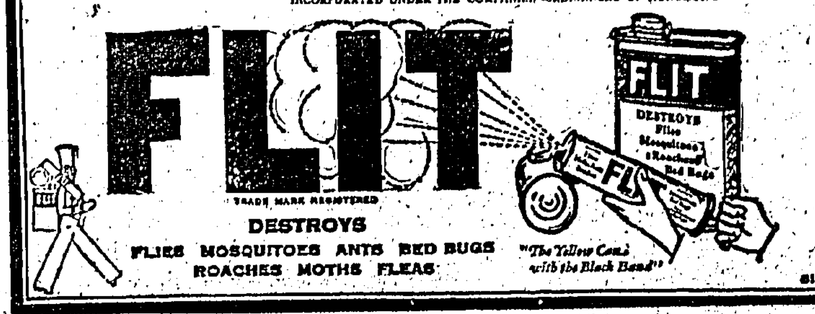


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| Authorised Capital (Hong Kong Currency) ..... | $11,000,000. |
| Paid-up Capital (Hong Kong Currency) ..... | 2,644,200. |
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## U.S. OIL COMBINE.

### 20 AMERICAN COMPANIES ENTER THE RING.

New York, Oct. 23.

Twenty American petroleum companies have now approved the plan to form an export association provided the details can be worked out.—*Reuter's American Service.*

[A message dated the 16th inst. announced that taking advantage of the facilities afforded under the Webb Export Trade Act, which approved in 1918, permits combines in the United States for the purpose of competing with foreign manufacturers, the Executives of the fifteen largest oil companies were considering plans to organise a big association for the purpose of effecting economies in export trade. The association contemplated would follow in the main the lines of the Copper Export Association. The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, the Gulf Const Company, the Atlantic Refining Company, Roxana Petroleum Company, and various service Companies in big cities were actively participating in the project.]

## ARMY INSPECTION.

### CHIANG KAI-SHEK TO LEAVE ON TOUR.

Nanking, Oct. 23.

Chiang Kai-shek will leave on a tour of inspection of the various reorganised armies on November 1. He will first proceed to Taian. —*Reuter.*

### New Garrison Commander.

Shanghai, Oct. 23.

General Mow Pei-nam, former leader of the "Ironsides" troops in Canton, has been appointed by the National Government, Commander of the Garrison Troops at Yenchow, on the Tientsin-Pukow Line. Recently he was made Commander of the new Fourth Division of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's Army Group.—*Wah Kiu Yat Po.*

## PATROL SERVICE.

### TWO MORE GUNBOATS FOR EAST RIVER.

As a result of investigations recently conducted by Captain Li, Commanding Officer of the patrol gunboats on both the East and West Rivers, it is considered improbable, says the *Canton Gazette*, that the tranquil conditions now obtaining in the West River reaches will be ruptured by the activities of piratical gangs, but traffic on the East River in the neighbourhood of Tuh Shu, Sha Kok, Kei Chang, Sai Chow, Nam Kong How etc., is still subject to the depredations of small roving gangs.

After having made inspection of the local conditions in Cheung Pang, Ma Tsung and San Tong, in the vicinity of the above mentioned localities, Captain Li has detailed two additional gunboats, the Kwong On and Lung Shang, for service in these sections. With the addition of these two gunboats to the East River patrol service, it is confidently anticipated that it will not be long before peace and order again prevails, and water borne traffic will be enabled to pursue the even tenor of its way without let or hindrance.

## ALLEGED LIBEL ON CINEMA STARS.

### ACTION COMMENCED IN SHANGHAI COURT.

Shanghai, Oct. 18.

Legal action was instituted in the Provisional Court here to-day against the Chinese publishing firm, Silver Light Publishing Company, alleging that the firm has published a book entitled: "The History of a Thousand Evils in the Motion Picture World," which contains allegedly defamatory material pertaining to American motion picture stars, including Douglas Fairbanks, Mary Pickford and other well-known screen idols.

The action was brought by the Chinese Moving Picture Association for the announced purpose of "clearing the good name of all connected with the picture industry and in order to prevent further similar publications."

The offending book was published in the Chinese language and extensively circulated which action the Chinese Picture Association considers detrimental to China's rapidly developing picture industry.

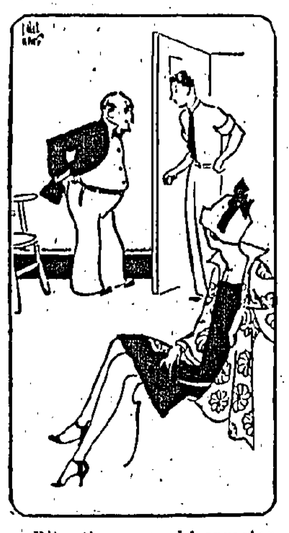
The action was brought under the new Chinese criminal code which provides a penalty of one year's detention or a fine of one thousand dollars.

## THE GOLD STANDARD.

### POLICY OF THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT.

Osaka, Oct. 23.

Vis-a-vis the joint recommendation of the Tokyo and Osaka Clearing Houses for the immediate or early restoration of the Gold Standard, it is hoped the Government will take an early opportunity to indicate its gold policy. The Finance Minister's speech at the general meeting of bankers of Western Japan at Osaka on November 13 is awaited with keen interest. Meanwhile it is generally believed here that there is no likelihood of any immediate action on the part of the Government.—*Reuter.*



Pity the poor chiropractor. He never gets anything but back pay.

## JAPANESE FINANCE.

### GOVERNMENT FORCED TO ADOPT RETRENCHMENT.

Tokyo, Oct. 23.

The draft of the estimates for the coming financial year show that revenue and expenditure are balanced—1,732.9 million yen which is 23.8 million yen increase over the current year. The main feature of the draft is retrenchment which is indicative of the government being forced to modify its traditional positive policy owing to the general political situation.

Various departments have demanded appropriations for new enterprises totalling 371,000,000 yen but only 110,000,000 yen have been allowed, though it is likely that the Finance Department will be induced to increase this before the estimates are finally presented to the Diet, owing to pressure on the part of the departments concerned.

Though the total estimates of each department are not yet published, the amount allowed for new enterprises shows that the navy demanded 61,000,000 yen and was allowed 13,000,000. The War Department demanded 47,000,000 and was allowed 10,000,000.

For the purpose of revenue it is proposed to float a 198,000,000 yen National bond issue. The proposed bonds will include 107,000,000 for railways (Colonial) which are treated as separate accounts and not included in the National Budget.—*Reuter.*

## NICKEL COMBINE.

### CONTROL OF METAL TO SECURE WORLD PEACE.

New York, Oct. 23.

According to the *New York American* the merger involving £88,000,000 just ratified between the International Nickel company and the Mond Nickel Company places the control of almost the entire world's nickel resources in British hands. The merger will be effected through the International Nickel Company of Canada, a subsidiary of the International Nickel which was incorporated in New Jersey.

### Britain's Policy.

Toronto, Oct. 23.

The *Globe* and *Mail* and *Empire*, state that Canadian interests headed by Sir Herbert Holt, have secured the majority of stock in the International Nickel Company from its former New York control, through active buying in the New York and Canadian markets during the past few months. Both newspapers state that the action is a "part of Britain's policy to secure world peace by dominating the source of supply of one of the essential implements of war."—*Reuter's American Service.*

[A message dated the 20th inst. stated that it was rumoured in New York that a merger was being prepared between the International Nickel Company of New York and the Mond Nickel Company, two of the largest in the world.]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## NAVAL COMPROMISE.

### WHAT THE NEWSPAPERS THINK.

London, Oct. 23.

The Foreign Office methods in connexion with the naval limitation pact find little appreciation in the conservative press, and much lively criticism from the Opposition.

The *Morning Post* thinks the charge of "secret diplomacy" against Britain and France has been exploded; but the *Daily Mail* complains of the secrecy of the methods, and considers it a great misfortune that an agreement which might, with happier management, have done so much good, should put the clock of disarmament so far back.

The *Daily Express* considers the Foreign Office's "naive misunderstanding of all outside opinion and psychology was hardly surpassed by Germany in the days of the war."

The *Daily Telegraph* credits the Foreign Office with being animated by good intentions.

On the other hand, the *Daily Herald* describes the pact as a "Himalayan blunder."

The *Daily News* says the general impression remains that Britain has seriously endangered Locarno by committing herself, subtly but decisively, to French interests.

The *Daily Chronicle* is at a loss to understand how Britain and France selected the terms known beforehand to be utterly repugnant and unacceptable to the United States and asks if the concession to France about conscription will be regarded as irrevocable.—*Reuter.*

#### British Press Comment.

The *Times* finds the White Paper a "decidedly prosaic document," and an "anti-climax," suggesting no deviation whatever in principle from the fixed course of British policy. There was no reason to suppose that the compromise would necessarily prove inacceptable to America but France and Britain should have been more careful to prevent a misunderstanding.

The *Manchester Guardian* says that the all important question is whether the British Government is committed by the compromise. It is of the opinion that it is a scrap of paper that should be dropped into the English Channel as speedily as possible.

#### French Opinion.

Paris, Oct. 23.

The "absolute good faith," "rigorous logic," and "purity of intention" of the British and French Governments is acclaimed by the rightist newspapers in commenting on the White Paper. The Socialist organ *Oeuvre* considers that despite some clumsiness on the part of Britain the negotiations were quite correct.

The Communist paper *Humanite* declares that the publication is a "striking indictment of imperialism."—*Reuter.*

#### Japan's Attitude.

Tokyo, Oct. 22.

The Government has published the Japanese note, dated Sept. 7, in reply to the British note of Aug. 2, outlining the Anglo-French Naval Agreement.

Japan expressed "sincere concurrence" with the principles of the Agreement but urged reconsideration of the clauses dealing with the limitation of 10,000 ton cruisers and large submarines, since it is believed impossible to set inflexible limits to these types which will satisfy all nations.—*Reuter.*

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### ATHENS ARRESTS: PLANT FOR BRITISH SOVEREIGNS.

Athens, Sept. 21.

For the last eight months the police have been on the track of a big organisation of coiners, alleged to be under the leadership of a banker named Cremos. A week ago Cremos, two goldsmiths, and an artisan named Tripolitis were arrested.

The police seized about 500 stamps, intended, it is believed, for the coining of Egyptian silver and gold coins and also English sovereigns. Tripolitis' art, it is declared, had only recently prepared plates of Greek banknotes of ten and five hundred drachmae but had not begun printing. The police alleged that so far over 500,000 miscellaneous coins have been issued and that these have been exported to Egypt and Turkey.


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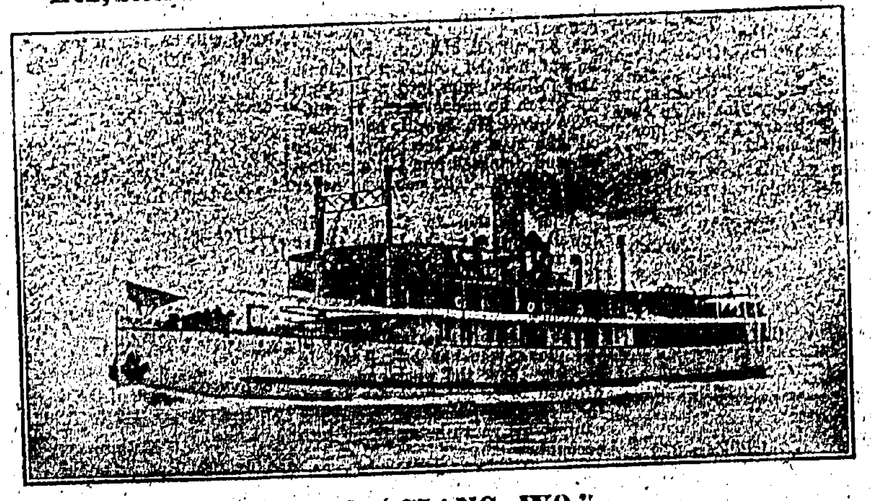

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## WORLD'S COTTON OUTPUT.

### BRITISH EMPIRE PRODUCES 30 PER CENT.

### ORIGIN OF SUPPLIES.

London, Oct. 23.

The British Empire now produces thirty per cent. of the world's cotton.

This statement is made by the Empire Marketing Board in an announcement which it makes to-day regarding the remarkable progress of British cotton-growing.

It is recalled how for centuries Britain was the home of cotton manufacture while the raw cotton all came from overseas, largely from the Southern States of America. The American crop failed during the American Civil War, spreading misery and famine among hundreds of thousands of British cotton-workers.

Thirty years ago, one of the Master Spinners of Lancashire sent ten tons of cotton seed to British West Africa. The experiment succeeded. More and more of the great open spaces of the Empire are being planted and sown to ensure a supply of raw cotton for the spindles and looms of Lancashire.

The supply now comes from East and West Africa, Sudan, Rhodesea, South Africa, India, Australia and the British West Indies.

The Empire's production of the world's raw cotton to-day amounts to between £3,000,000,000 and £4,000,000,000 yearly, so that before long it is predicted that the cotton industry will be self-contained within the Empire.—*British Wireless.*

## CHURCH PROBLEMS IN CHINA.

*(Continued from Page 1.)*

constituency in the fight against opium and narcotic drugs.

**The Kellogg Pact.**

In its consideration of the report on the Christian Mission and the Church, the Council expressed the desire to record its approval of the Kellogg Peace Pact. The following resolution was therefore presented and approved:

"The Council summons the Church to unite with Christians throughout the world in unremitting prayer and effort in the cause of peace. The Council rejoices to know that China in concert with other progressive nations has instructed its representatives to sign the Kellogg Pact which embodies the principles for which the Christian Church stands in this matter. The Council prays that God may use this international instrument to make the spirit of Christ effective in the counsels of the nations."

The meeting closed with a devotional service led by Dr. C. Y. Cheng, General Secretary of the National Christian Council.

## PEPPER POSSIBLY GENUINE.

### CHARGES AGAINST SHOPS WITHDRAWN.

In two cases in which the master of a shop was charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with selling adulterated pepper, Sanitary Inspector Archibald asked leave to withdraw the charges against the defendants.

He said that a letter had been received from the Government Analyst stating that it had been recently found that certain genuine native pepper would react in a manner very similar to that given by ordinary pepper mixed with foreign matter.

In view of this new evidence, the Analyst could not regard the sample in question as other than being possibly genuine.

The defendants were accordingly discharged.

## NO WEATHER CHANGE.

An area of moderately high pressure extends from the lower Yangtsze Valley to North Japan. Pressure is relatively low between the Visayas and the Ladrones. The typhoon appears to be situated more than 300 miles E.S.E. of Manila moving west. Fresh monsoon will continue along the South-east coast of China and over the North China Sea.

The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—North-East winds, moderate; fine.

## LIQUOR AGENTS' ERROR.

### SHOOTING ON A SUSPECTED RUM RUNNER.

### ENGLISH GIRL SHOT.

New York, Sept. 28.

The latest victim of promiscuous shooting by Prohibition agents is Miss Betty Heywood, aged 20, an English girl, who was seriously wounded in the neck when agents opened fire on the motor-car in which she was a passenger.

The other occupants of the car, all British subjects, were Charles Edwards, the owner, his wife and baby, and Richard Heywood, father of the wounded girl.

Mr. Heywood, in giving his version of the shooting to the police, explained that they were returning to Lorain, Ohio, where Mr. Edwards lives, when the shooting occurred.

He said: "We were taking some friends home, and as we approached a bridge we saw three men in the shadows, two on the west and one on the east side of the road. Having taken our friends home we started back. When we approached the bridge again, three men jumped from the roadside and told us to halt. Edwards slowed down and then thought better of it and 'stepped on the gas.' The men did not say they were officers nor did they show badges.

**Patter of Bullets.**

"As Edwards put on speed we heard something pattering against the back of the car—bullets. Betty slid forward clutching her head. Edwards then stopped the car and another automobile, driven by a man who said he was a policeman, Louis Cicco, drew alongside.

"The officers got out and searched the machine and then as they saw Betty wounded, Cicco ordered Edwards to take her to hospital."

From the hospital Heywood went to the police station, but found that the Prohibition officers, who were members of a special squad operating directly under the orders of Mayor J. C. Standen, of Lorain, had not reported the affair. Instead they had gone home to bed, but they were quickly taken out and lodged in cells by the police pending investigation.

The Mayor defends the action of the men, but the public demand the abolition of the special squad. The other two officers blamed Cicco for shooting. He did not deny it, but said that he was merely trying to hit the tyres after the command to halt had been ignored.

Mayor Horatio Chisholm, the British Consul in Cleveland, does not contemplate official action, but will probably leave Mr. Heywood to seek his remedy through the American Courts. Miss Heywood is in a serious condition from the wound, but the hospital surgeons believe that she will recover.

## AMERICAN TOURIST ROBBED.

### ADVENTURE WITH YOUTH IN COCHRANE STREET.

Mr. F. H. Jewell, an American visiting the Colony from Shanghai with his wife, was the victim of a pick-pocket while "taking in" the sights in the Chinese district last Thursday. The tourists were walking up Cochrane Street, looking into the shops, when Mr. Jewell heard a click, and discovered that his fountain pen had disappeared from his breast-pocket. The youth at his elbow, who Mr. Jewell at once seized, wore a singlet and short pants, with no pockets or other likely place of concealment, and reasoning thus, Mr. Jewell let him go. However, he watched the youth's movements and followed him into a sidelane, up which he endeavoured to run.

To quote Mr. Jewell, he "guessed" the man was the culprit after all, and detained him till a policeman arrived. The pen was never recovered.

After a trip to Canton, Mr. Jewell appeard at the Police Court this morning, and before Major C. Willson, recounted his experience. Mrs. Jewell gave corroborative evidence.

The prisoner, a forlorn figure in the dock, who had been held in custody over the week-end, was ordered to be detained for a further 48 hours, and to receive a caning, his youth being taken into account.

Yeung Yee, a boatwoman, attempted to take her life yesterday by cutting her throat with a razor. The attempt was made while the boat was lying alongside a Japanese steamer at No. 2 buoy. The woman has been removed to Hospital, where her condition is stated to be serious.

## SANDINO'S LATEST OUTRAGE.

### TERRIBLE ATROCITIES IN SAN MARCO.

### NIGHT RAID MURDERS.

Washington, Oct. 28.

Allegations of terrible atrocities by the followers of the Nicaraguan insurgent leader, General Sandino, are made in a report to the U.S. State Department, by Brigadier-General Frank R. McCoy, the American officer, who was appointed by President Coolidge as the chairman of the Commission to supervise the Nicaraguan November elections, says a Reuter message.

General Sandino has persistently refused to accede to surrender in spite of the failure of the Liberal revolution, and since American marines were landed, he has been carrying out guerilla warfare against them, raiding American property, and looting.

The latest outrage attributed to his followers occurred during the night of October 1st, according to General McCoy's report.

An armed band swept down on the sleeping village of San Marcos, forcing their way into the house, and indulging in an orgy of murder and pillage unprecedented even in Sandino's criminal exploits. The raiders exhibited revolting cruelty, and dozens of helpless people were massacred.

It is supposed that the attack was made with a view to terrorising inhabitants to prevent them voting in the elections.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## CANTON-NANKING CLASH.

*(Continued from Page 1.)*

Administration neglected its duties and failed to examine and tax goods which were eligible for surtax, then it was not to be expected that those merchants who disapproved of the tax should come forward voluntarily and offer to pay.

The result of all this is that the Swatow Chamber of Commerce has sent a telegram to the Minister of Finance at Nanking, telling him that the surtax authorities refuse to obey the Government and asking that they be forced to do so at once. The telegram also requests the Nanking Government to acquaint the Canton authorities of its decision. A message has been sent to Canton too, putting forward the condition of affairs here and stating that Nanking is in charge of matters.

In addition to these two messages, the Chamber has asked General Hsu King-tong, the Military Governor here, to intercede on its behalf, and messages have been received from Chinese Chambers in foreign parts and from merchants in every Province, promising their loyal support.

**Feeling Runs High.**

Feeling in Swatow is rising high over this dispute. The merchants are adamant in their resolution not to carry on trade if the Surtax Bureau is permitted to bring into force its new regulations, and the general public is wholly on the side of the merchants.

What attitude will the Nanking Government take up? The situation is unprecedented in the short history of the new Government, and the feeling is that a great deal hangs on the way in which it tackles this problem. Thinking Chinese are anxiously waiting to see whether the Nanking Government has the courage to substantiate its words by actions.

**The Alternatives.**

If the Government will only take up a strong attitude and stick to it, not only will it win the increased confidence of thousands of Chinese, but also a great step forward will be gained towards that unity of China which was celebrated so enthusiastically a few days ago.

On the other hand, if the Government fails now in this first real test of power and sane judgment, one can only feel that it will be the beginning of the end of the present efforts towards unity of control throughout the country.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

## NEW U.S. SHIPPING PROJECT.

### BIG BUILDING LOAN FROM THE GOVERNMENT.

Washington, Oct. 23.

The first loan from the Government's $250,000,000 Ship Construction Funds has been made by the Shipping Board to the Export Steamship Corporation of New York.

The loan amounts to three-quarters of the cost of building four combination passenger-cargo vessels to operate between New York and Mediterranean ports.—*Reuter's American Service.*